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EDWARD B. (TED) DIETRICH, M.D.

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Edward B. (Ted) Diethrich, M.D., is an internationally renowned cardiovascular surgeon, who is the founder and medical director of the Arizona Heart Institute (AHI) in Phoenix.

AHI is a center for the diagnosis and treatment of heart and blood vessel disease, created in 1971.

Dr. Diethrich is president of the International Heart Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to research and education of heart disease.

He has always combined his medical and surgical skills and interests with athletics and sports promotion. Dr. Diethrich is also keenly interested in sports medicine, particularly from a cardiovascular point of view. For many years, he lectured

NFL teams members, coaches and owners on heart disease and his clinic is a site for thorough screening examinations that have been taken by many team members.

He will also apply this technique to United States Football League teams, training in Arizona in February 1983, including the Chicago Blitz.

A native of Michigan and graduate of the University of Michigan Medical School, Dr. Diethrich became a protege of the famed cardiovascular surgeon Dr. Michael DeBakey during his tenure at Baylor College of Medicine.

After six years in Houston, he moved to Phoenix to establish AHI and guide it into an internationally known clinic. Dr. Diethrich has pioneered numerous new techniques in cardiovascular surgery.

He is a member of more than 15 cardiovascular societies, currently serving as the immediate past president of the prestigious Denton A. Cooley Cardiovascular Surgical Society.

He has also authored more than 160 scientific publications, six technical books and numerous medical films. Dr. Diethrich's current book for the lay public, "Heart Test," is the result of the first nationally televised heart survey conducted as an ABC 20/20 News Special.

He is currently a consultant to the President's Council for Physical Fitness and Sports and chairs the USFL medical committee.

Among Dr. Diethrich's business ventures is a company which he founded for the application of ultrasound to medical diagnostics.

An avid competitor in racquet sports in his college days, he constructed the first U.S. fronton in Houston. In October 1982, he represented the United States as an official delegate in the World Games in Mexico City.

Dr. Diethrich and his wife, Gloria, have two children, Tad and Lynne.

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GEORGE H. ALLEN

Chairman of the Board & Head Coach



George Allen's association with football and coaching spans four decades, earning his reputation as a master of detail and a builder of programs.

Allen brings to the Chicago Blitz a 12-year record as an NFL head coach which is third highest in that league's long history. He never had a losing season in five years with the Los Angeles Rams and seven with the Washington Redskins—116-47-5 (70.5%)—taking seven of his 12 teams into the playoffs and his 1972 Redskins into Super Bowl VII.

Born April 29, 1922, in Grosse Pointe Woods, Mich., to Earl and Loretta, Allen attended Lake Shore High School, never missing a day and winning nine letters ...three each in football, basketball and track. A 150-pound end in football, he was

the basketball captain and all-conference center in 1938-39. In track, he ran the 440 and long jumped to a school record 20-2.

After World War II began, Allen joined the Navy and in 1943-44, under the V-12 naval program, and attended Alma (Mich.) College for three semesters. He played as a reserve, 156-pound right end. In 1944, during the middle of his sophomore year, the V-12 unit was transferred to Marquette University where he also played right end.

Allen was named athletic adjutant with the Navy at Farragut, Idaho, in 1945-46, where he did his first recorded coaching, leading teams to three base championships in basketball, baseball and softball.

Following discharge, Allen enrolled at the University of Michigan in the fall of 1946. Not big enough for football, he wrestled under the legendary Cliff Keen.

He also closely studied the coaching of Fritz Crisler and eventually was given the opportunity to coach JV and 150-pound teams. He worked as a line coach and general assistant to Keen and helped the 150-pounders to tie for the 1947 Big Nine title with Ohio State.

Allen graduated from Michigan in 1947 and earned his masters in physical education, writing his thesis under Bennie Oosterbaan, who was to replace Crisler as Michigan's head coach in 1948. The title of the thesis was "A Study of Outstanding Football Coaches' Attitudes and Practices in Scouting."

The document was 118 pages in text, with 23 items in the bibliography, 176 pages of appendices and countless diagrams and charts.

During succeeding years, Allen attended night school classes to earn half the credits needed for a PhD in education.

Following his masters, Allen helped coach the track team and applied for a head coaching or assistant's job to some 628 schools. He got offers from three—Case Tech in Cleveland, Trinity College in Connecticut and Morningside College in Sioux City, Iowa.

Allen's reason for selecting Morningside, "Because they hadn't won a conference game in two years."

His first team at Morningside in 1948 was 2-7 and 2-4 in the North Central Conference. During his three seasons there, Allen compiled a 15-12-2 overall and 8-8-2 in the conference.

He also met Etty Lumbroso while in Sioux City. She was French, who was born and raised in Tunis, Tunisia, where her father was a wine importer. Besides English and French, Etty also speaks Italian, Spanish, Arabic and a little Latin.

Allen flew to Tunis to propose, and they were married in May of 1951 in Sioux City.

He moved on to Whittier College in California in 1951 and the Poets were also 2-7 in

his first season. In 1952, the team won the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference title and had an overall record of 9-1, losing only to the Air Force, 21-20.

Allen's six seasons at Whittier showed a 32-22-5 record and he moved on to become offensive end coach with the Los Angeles Rams in 1957 under Sid Gillman. He moved on to the Chicago Bears in 1958 where he stayed for eight seasons.

He headed the defensive unit from 1963-65 and watched them intercept five Y. A. Tittle passes in the 1963 championship game against the New York Giants for a 14-10 Bear victory. Allen was presented the game ball.

Allen also was the Bears' director of personnel. He had successive Rookie-of-the-Year drafts in 1960 (Mike Ditka) and 1961 (Ron Bull). More than half of the 1963 team was signed by Allen.

The Los Angeles Rams called after the 1965 season, following seven straight Ram losing years. In five years, the Rams posted a 49-17-4 record (74.2%) under Allen, winning two divisional titles. Allen also negotiated 51 trades to establish a reputation that has followed him ever since.

The 1967 Rams were 11-1-2 in the regular season and 18-2-2 overall (including pre- and post-season competition).

After the 1970 season (9-4-1), Allen was looking for a head coaching job. Green Bay, Houston, Philadelphia and Washington bid for his services.

In January of 1971, he took on the challenge of the Redskins, a franchise that had one winning season in the previous 15 and not in the playoffs for 25 years.

"We'll have a team that Washington can be proud of," declared Allen, as he proceeded to build Redskin Park near Dulles International Airport and his first "Over-the-Hill Gang" of veteran players.

The Redskins were 67-30-5 during his seven years, won one divisional championship, shared two others and reached the playoffs five times and Super Bowl VII.

As the winningest coach in Ram history, he earned NFL Coach-of-the-Year honors from UPI, the Sporting News and the Washington Touchdown Club.

Allen's opening weeks with the Redskins resulted in a flurry of activity. He swapped seven draft choices plus Marlin McKeever to obtain six of his favorite Rams, including all the linebackers. In the first six months, he negotiated 13 trades.

Out of coaching for five years, Allen returned to writing books and articles, serving as color commentator for CBS Television Sports and worked as National Chairman of the Summer Jobs for Needy Youth Program under President Carter.

President Reagan appointed Allen chairman of the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports.

On June 21, 1982, he took over his positions with the Chicago Blitz.

He and Etty have four children—George, Gregory, Bruce and Jennifer.



WILLARD V. (BILL) HARRIS

Executive Vice President & General Partner



Willard V. (Bill) Harris is a builder and developer in Southern California and a major shareholder in several building related contracting and manufacturing companies. Harris has received U.S. patents for some of the proprietary products he manufactures.

He attended Whittier (Calif.) College, where he played tight-end for George Allen for four years. He also was a four year letterman in track & field and captain of the track team and named Athlete of the Year at Whittier College in his senior year.

Harris majored in chemistry and received the American Chemical Society Achievement Award in his senior year. He was offered a fellowship by the Atomic Energy Commission in Ames, Iowa, upon graduation but refused in order to pursue general contracting.

Today Bill Harris is a member of the Board of Trustees at both Whittier College and the University of LaVerne.

Always an avid sports enthusiast Harris was appointed as a Special Advisor for a four year term to the President's Council for Physical Fitness & Sports in 1981.

He has been active in the City of Hope for many years and in 1979 he and his wife, Harriet, dedicated the Nuclear Medical Wing to the City of Hope in Duarte, Calif.

Harris initially purchased the Denver franchise in the USFL. Subsequent events and negotiations led to his purchase of the Chicago franchise with Dr. Diethrich and George Allen.

G. BRUCE ALLEN

General Manager



Bruce Allen became the NCAA's youngest head coach in 1979 when, at the age of 22, he took over at Occidental College in Los Angeles.

In July 1982, he became the youngest general manager in major professional football, when at 25 he became general manager of the Chicago Blitz, three months prior to his 26th birthday.

Allen received a management degree from the University of Richmond, where he attended on a football scholarship as a punter. A three-year letterman (1975-77) playing in 33 games, Allen punted 202 times for a 39.8 yard average. His best season was in 1976 as a junior when he averaged 42.9 yards on 72 punts, including a career best of 79 yards.

He was selected in the 12th round in the 1978 NFL draft by the Baltimore Colts. That fall Allen joined Arizona State as an assistant coach.

Following a year at Occidental (2-5-1), Allen became head coach and general manager of the Los Angeles Thunderbolts, a California League pro team in 1980 and worked as a scout for the Oakland Raiders.

He then joined W. R. Grace Company in an executive capacity in sales and marketing. He is married to Peggy.

77 Junior Ah You

Defensive End 6-2½ 248 Arizona State

Born: May 12, 1948, Hawaii

USFL: Acquired rights from the Tampa Bay Bandits by trading negotiating rights to Ron Mikołajczyk, former University of Tampa offensive tackle.

Professional: Selected in the 9th round of the 1972 NFL draft by the New England Patriots. However, he subsequently signed and played 10 seasons with the Montreal Alouettes (renamed Concordes in 1982) of the Canadian Football League, where he earned All-CFL honors as a pass rusher.

Collegiate: Lettered three seasons (1969-71) at Arizona State as a defensive end...earned All-Western Athletic Conference honors all three years...named 2nd team UPI and honorable mention AP All-American in 1971...played in the 1971 Hula Bowl.

Personal: Lives in Honolulu, Hawaii, where he operates the Polynesian Cultural Center. Married (Almira).



80 Marcus Anderson

Flanker 5-11½ 170 Tulane

Born: June 12, 1959, Port Arthur, Texas

USFL: Acquired as a free agent after being cut by the Chicago Bears of the NFL in the 1982 pre-season.

Professional: Signed in 1981 as a free agent by the Bears...in his only start (vs. Detroit, 10-19-81) had most single game receiving yardage (6 for 176) for Bears since 1967...suffered bruised ribs in 3rd quarter of that game...caught 85-yard TD pass in the Detroit game...played in 12 games in 1981, catching 9 passes for 243 yards and 2 TDs; 1 KO Return for -5 yards. Previously had been with Los Angeles Rams until final cut of 1981.

Collegiate: Four-year letterman at Tulane (1977-80) with 56 receptions for 872 yards and 10 TDs...holds Tulane record for longest reception (84 yards)...played in Liberty and Hall of Fame Bowls...was a dashman in track.

Personal: Lives in Lake Charles, La.



Junior Ah You



Marcus Anderson

54 Robert Barnes

Center 6-4 258 **SMU**

Born: April 20, 1958, Corpus Christi, Texas

USFL: Signed as a free agent.

Professional: Had free agent tryouts with the Detroit Lions (1981) and Kansas City Chiefs (1982).

Collegiate: Played at SMU four seasons (1977-80), where he was named 2nd team All-Southwest Conference in 1980.

Personal: Earned a degree in physical education in 1981...spent 1982 as assistant line coach at Jesuit Prep in Dallas...lives in Dallas.

43 Mack Boatner

Fullback 6-0 234 **Southeastern Louisiana**

Born: October 4, 1958

USFL: Signed as a free agent.

Professional: Selected in 9th round of the 1982 NFL draft by the Miami Dolphins. Released in pre-season.

Collegiate: Played four seasons at Southeastern Louisiana (1978-81), where he ranked as the second all-time leading rusher (2,776 yards) and second all-time leading scorer (156 points)...led team in rushing three years (1979-81)...his 275 yards against Delta State in 1980, including a 90-yard TD run are all-time school records.

Personal: Lives in Baton Rouge, La.



Robert Barnes



Mack Boatner

27 Luther Bradley

Free Safety 6-2 201 Notre Dame

Born: May 7, 1955, Florence, S.C.

USFL: Signed as a free agent, territorial.

Professional: Selected in 1st round of the 1978 NFL draft by the Detroit Lions...after four seasons was traded to the Houston Oilers for a 7th round 1982 draft pick...played in 56 NFL games, intercepting 9 passes for 96 return yards and 1 touchdown...also recovered one fumble in each of the 1979 and 1981 seasons.

Collegiate: Lettered four years at Notre Dame (1973, 1975-77)...received All-American honors in 1975-76-77, with four 1st team picks in 1977...had a school record 17 career interceptions for 218 return yards...against Purdue in 1975, set a single game mark with 103 return yards on two interceptions.

Personal: Lives in Detroit, Mich.; but was raised in Muncie, Ind., where he attended Northside High School. Married (Sylvia); two children. Received BBA from Notre Dame in 1978.

59 Bruce Branch

Offensive Guard 6-3½ 264 Arizona State

Born: June 19, 1960, Philadelphia, Pa.

USFL: Signed as a free agent on Aug. 25, 1982. To obtain rights, the Arizona Wranglers were given the rights to Kevin McLee, RB, Georgia, and Bob Nelson, DT, Miami (Fla.), plus 12th round draft selections in 1984 and 1985.

Collegiate: Lettered at Arizona State for three years (1978, 1980-81)...anchored Sun Devil offensive line in 1981 that led the nation in total offense...was named team's most improved player in 1980.

Personal: Attended high school in Camden, N.J....now lives in Tempe, Ariz.



Luther Bradley



Bruce Branch

25 Paul Edward (Eddie) Brown

Free Safety 5-11½ 204 **Tennessee**

Born: February 19, 1952, Jasper, Tenn.

USFL: Signed as a free agent on Oct. 14, 1982. Negotiating rights were obtained by trading James Campbell, a former Kentucky tight end to the New Jersey Generals.

Professional: Selected in 8th round of 1974 NFL draft by the Cleveland Browns. Claimed on waivers from the Browns in 1975 by George Allen's Washington Redskins, where he became an All-Pro in 1976-77. Was traded to the Los Angeles Rams in 1978...released in 1980 and signed by the Buffalo Bills, where he was released prior to the 1981 season.

Established NFL record for most punt returns (11) in one game and for most combined kick returns (12) in one game vs. Tampa Bay in 1977. Led NFL in punt return yardage (646) in 1976 and punt returns (57) in 1977.

During his six-year, 62-game NFL career: 8 interceptions for 97 yards...172 punt returns for 1,511 yards and 1 TD...81 kickoff returns for 1,957 yards.

Collegiate: A 1973 All-American at Tennessee, where he earned a 1975 BS degree in animal science.

Personal: Operates two Western-wear businesses outside of Washington, D.C. Lives in Alexandria, Va.

63 Mark Buben

Defensive End 6-3 260 **Tufts University**

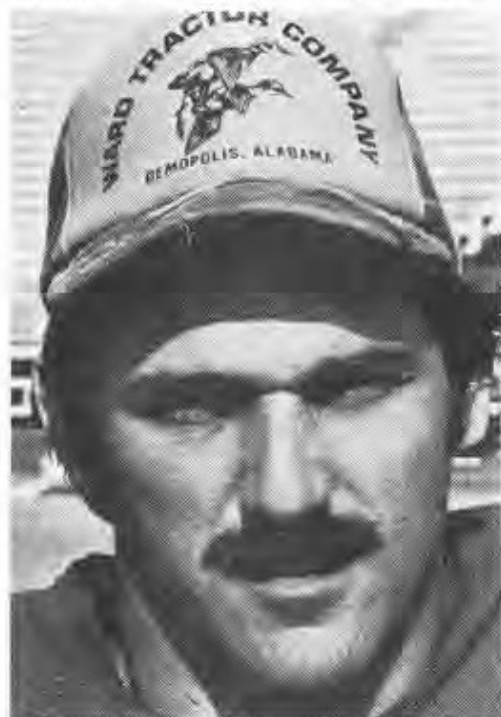
Born: March 23, 1957, Auburn, Mass.

USFL: Signed after obtaining negotiating rights from Michigan for Dan Jackovich, OT, Utah State.

Professional: Signed as a free agent by the New England Patriots in May 1979...injured reserve in 1980...picked up as a free agent by the Cleveland Browns in 1982. Played 32 games (1979 & 1981) with Patriots, 4 games with the Browns in 1982.

Collegiate: Lettered four years at Tufts (1975-78)...was 1978 NCAA Division III All-American...New England small college player of the year in 1978...top defensive vote-getter in ECAC in 1977-78...in 1977 was responsible for three safeties, including one in which he pinned the quarterback against the goal post...in 1978 had 90 tackles, 12 sacks and 8 passes broken up.

Personal: Attended high school in Metheun, Mass....avid weight-lifter, presses close to 500 pounds...father is a Russian Orthodox priest.



Eddie Brown



Mark Buben

88 Wamon Buggs

Wide Receiver 6-2¼ 204 Vanderbilt University

Born: February 4, 1960, Memphis, Tenn.

USFL: Signed as a free agent.

Professional: Had a 1982 free agent tryout with Green Bay Packers.

Collegiate: A four-year letterman at Vanderbilt (1978-81), where he was the All-SEC split end in 1981...ranked 3rd on all-time school receiving list with 111 catches (for 1,401 yards, 4 TDs)...best season was in 1981 with 54 receptions, 778 yards and 4 TDs (2nd on all-time list).

Personal: Attended Hamilton High School in Memphis...lives in Memphis.

72 Robert L. (Bob) Cobb

Defensive End 6-4½ 272 Arizona

Born: October 12, 1957, Cincinnati, Ohio

USFL: Signed as a free agent.

Professional: Selected in 3rd round of 1981 NFL draft by the Los Angeles Rams...played six games with Rams in 1981...released and signed with Tampa Bay Buccaneers in 1982 and released.

Collegiate: Attended Northeast Mississippi (1976), University of Cincinnati (1977) and Arizona (1978-81).

Personal: Married (Myca), one child.



Wamon Buggs



Bob Cobb

26 Frank Anthony Collins

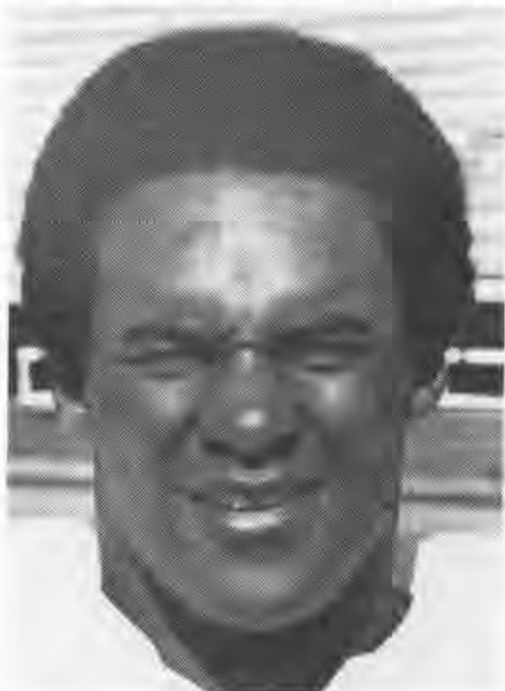
Halfback 5-9½ 192..... Utah

Born: July 31, 1954, Troy, N.C.
USFL: Signed as a free agent.
Professional: Signed as a free agent in 1976 by the Cincinnati Bengals...released and signed by the Pittsburgh Steelers in 1978...released (in 1978) and signed by the Washington Redskins in 1979...released (in 1979) and re-signed by the Steelers in 1982...released. Spent 4 seasons in the NFL.
Collegiate: Played at the University of Utah (1972-75).
Personal: Earned a BA in communications from Utah in 1976...attended high school in Beaver Falls, Pa., where he lives.

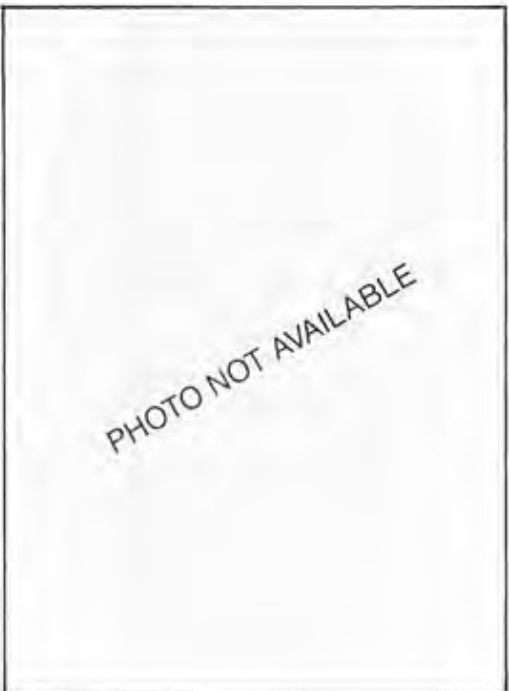
3 John Frank (Frank) Corral

Punter/Placekicker 6-2 228..... UCLA

Born: June 16, 1955, Chihuahua, Mexico
USFL: Signed as a free agent on Feb. 26, 1983, after acquiring negotiating rights from Arizona Wranglers in a trade on Jan. 4, 1983. The Wranglers were given the Blitz No. 6 position in the first round of the 1983 USFL draft, plus the negotiating rights to Calvin Murray, Ohio State running back, and Tony Eason, Illinois quarterback. The Blitz gained the No. 2 position in the 1983 draft plus the rights for Corral.
Professional: Was selected in the 3rd round of the 1978 NFL draft by George Allen, then of the Los Angeles Rams...played four seasons (1978-81) and 64 games with the Rams before being released in the 1982 pre-season.
NFL statistics: 165 punts for a 40.8 avg., 1 blocked...75 of 124 field goals...154 of 160 extra points, including his last 87 in a row.
Played in the 1978 Pro Bowl after leading the NFL in field goals (29 of 43) and kick scoring (118 points)...also played in the 1978 and 1979 NFC championship games and the 1979 NFL championship.
Collegiate: Attended Riverside (Calif.) City College for two years, leading the nation in punting (44.0 & 45.7) and moved on to UCLA as a punter and placekicker...was All-Pac-8 (1st team) as a punter and All-Pac-8 (2nd team) as a kicker in his junior year...he missed most of his senior year with a broken jaw...holds UCLA record for the longest field goal, 55 yards.
Personal: Lives in Riverside, Calif., with his wife, Martha, and two daughters, Christina (7-4-76) and Maria (4-7-80)...attended Norte Vista High in Riverside.



Frank Collins



Frank Corral

84 Douglas J. (Doug) Cozen

Tight End 6-4½ 241 **Illinois**

Born: July 9, 1957, Palatine, Ill.

USFL: Signed as a free agent, territorial...switched from defensive tackle early in the 1983 pre-season camp.

Professional: Played with the Chicago Fire in 1981...named to AFA 2nd team all-star team.

Collegiate: Two-year letterman (1978-79) at the University of Illinois.

Personal: Earned degree in psychology and business from Illinois...graduate of Marist High School in Palatine...married, Lisa, and lives in Palatine.

21 William Douglas (Doug) Dennison

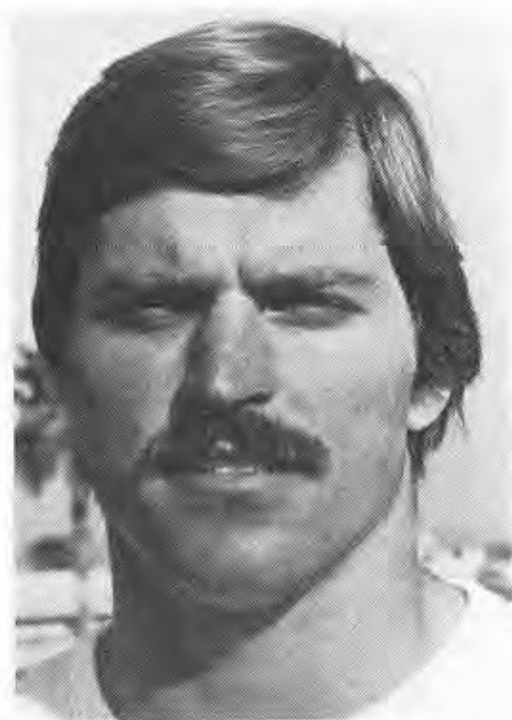
Halfback 6-1 200 **Kutztown State**

Born: December 18, 1951, Lancaster, Pa.

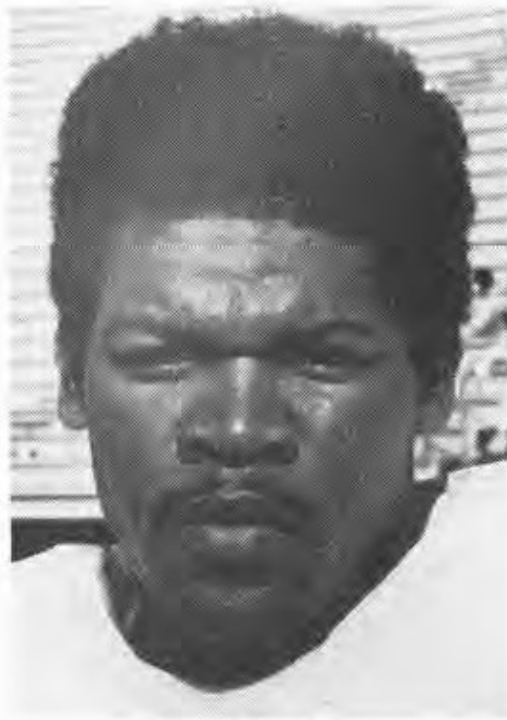
USFL: Signed as a free agent.

Professional: Signed as a free agent by the Dallas Cowboys in 1974...in five years (through 1978) played in 52 NFL games, gaining 1,112 yards on 306 carries (3.6 avg.) and 19 TDs...caught 14 passes for 110 yards...returned 20 kickoffs for 409 yards...played in 1975 and 1977 NFL championship games...best season was 1976 when he led the Cowboys in rushing with 542 yards (6 TDs). Was on injured reserve in 1978.

Collegiate: Played at Kutztown State.



Doug Cozen



Doug Dennison

82 Larry Douglas

Wide Receiver 6-1 185 **Southern University**

Born: November 26, 1957, Hammond, La.

USFL: Signed as a free agent.

Professional: Had free agent tryouts with Pittsburgh Steelers (1979) and Winnipeg Blue Bombers (1980).

Collegiate: Played at Southern University (1975-78).

Personal: Lives in Baton Rouge, La....married (Dianne), one child.

85 Timothy Karl (T.K.) Ehlebracht

Wide Receiver 6-2 183 **North Central (Ill.) College**

Born: February 10, 1958, Homewood, Ill.

USFL: Signed as a free agent in October 1982.

Professional: Signed by the Chicago Bears as a free agent in 1981...suffered a fractured fibula in 1981 camp...placed on injured reserve, but worked out with squad through end of season; released in 1982 pre-season. Had baseball tryouts with San Diego Padres and Cincinnati Reds.

Collegiate: At North Central lettered in football (4), baseball (3), track (2) and basketball (1)...a receiver in wishbone offense during first three years, a safety as a senior. Career statistics: 48 tackles; 2 interceptions; 55 receptions for 945 yards, 3 TDs; 24 punt returns, 186 yards, 1 TD...All-Conference as a junior; honorable mention All-Conference on defense as a senior.

MVP in conference in baseball as a junior with .426 average (CF); 2nd team NCAA Division III All-American, .425 avg. as a senior.

Threw javelin 185-4 as a junior, 193-5 as a senior.

Named North Central's outstanding scholar athlete as a junior and senior.

Personal: Earned double degree from North Central in 1980 (economics/physical education)...teaches and coaches at Brookwood Junior High in Glenwood, Ill....inspiration from older brother, Tom, who was a star athlete, now a quadriplegic CPA.



Larry Douglas



T. K. Ehlebracht

74 Joseph Charles (Joe) Ehrmann

Defensive Tackle 6-3 250 Syracuse

Born: March 29, 1949, Buffalo, N.Y.

USFL: Signed as a free agent after obtain negotiating rights from New Jersey Generals for rights to Troy McMillan, OG, Illinois.

Professional: Selected in 1st round of 1973 NFL draft by Baltimore Colts...played 8 years and 109 games with the Colts (1973-80)...released by Colts and signed as a free agent by the Detroit Lions in 1981...played two seasons and 13 games with the Lions (1981-82). Was on injured reserve during 1981 season with ruptured bicep that limited him to 4 games.

At Baltimore played in 108 games, 72 starts...played in 46 straight games (1974-77)...started throughout Colts' three-year reign as AFC East Champions...voted All-AFC by the UPI and played in Pro Bowl in 1976.

Collegiate: Three-year starter at Syracuse (1969-70, 1972)...earned All-American honors. led team in tackles and sacks...also played two years of lacrosse.

Personal: Is entering his second year of studies at the Dallas Theological Seminary...hopes to enter the ministry...spearheaded the construction of a Ronald McDonald House in Baltimore in memory of his brother, Billy, who died of cancer in 1978...selected as Colts' Man-of-the-Year in 1980...lives in Dallas with his wife (Peaches).

78 Nick Eyre

Offensive Tackle 6-6 278 Brigham Young University

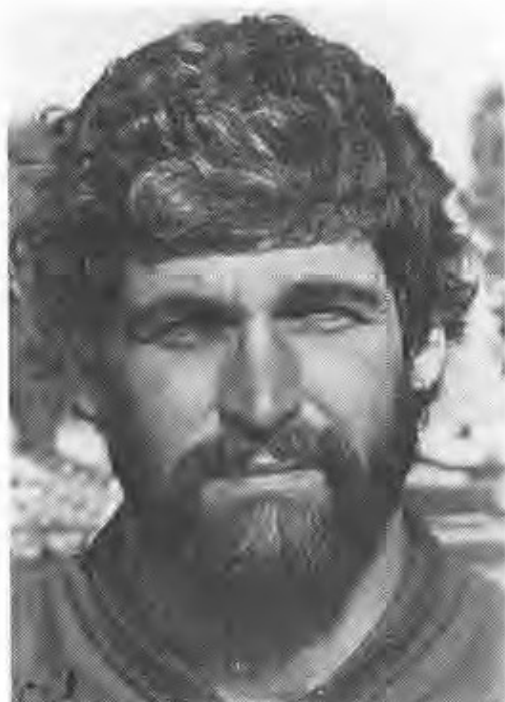
Born: June 16, 1959, Las Vegas, Nev.

USFL: Signed as a free agent.

Professional: Selected in 4th round of 1981 NFL draft by Houston Oilers...after playing in 4 games was placed on injured reserve with a knee injury...waived during 1982 pre-season.

Collegiate: Played at BYU, where he was named to three All-American first teams (Kodak, Football Writers and UPI) in 1980; 2nd team AP; 3rd in Outland Trophy voting...All-Western Athletic Conference in 1979-80.

Personal: Lives in Orem, Utah...6 hours short of degree in business management at BYU...Married (Diane).



Joe Ehrmann



Nick Eyre

55 Jim Fahnhorst

Middle Linebacker 6-4 240 Minnesota

Born: November 8, 1958, St. Cloud, Minn.

USFL: Signed as a free agent Aug. 16, 1982, after obtaining negotiating rights from the Los Angeles Express, trading rights to Kris Haines, WR, Notre Dame; Mike Sherrod, TE, Illinois; and 6th, 7th & 8th round draft selections in 1983 USFL draft.

Professional: Selected in the 4th round of the 1982 NFL draft by the Minnesota Vikings.

Collegiate: Consensus All-Big Ten linebacker in 1981 (AP & UPI)...Minnesota Player-of-the-Year on Defense in 1981...played in Blue-Gray and Olympic Gold Bowl All-Star games in 1981...had 290 career tackles (155 solo)...was Big Ten's leading tackler in 1981...a four-year letterman (1977-78, 1980-81) and two-year starter.

Personal: Earned six letters in football and basketball at St. Cloud Technical High School...all-state as a senior...brother of Keith (also a former Minnesota Gopher), a starting offensive tackle for the Super Bowl Champion San Francisco 49ers...completed degree requirements in psychology during 1982 fall quarter at Minnesota, while assisting Minnesota football team as a coach.

51 Joseph Michael (Joe) Federspiel

Middle Linebacker 6-1½ 242 Kentucky

Born: May 6, 1950, Louisville, Ky.

USFL: Signed as a free agent after obtaining negotiating rights from Washington Federals in December 1982 along with Kevin Long, RB, South Carolina, for 5th round draft choice in 1983 USFL draft.

Professional: Selected in 4th round of 1972 NFL draft by the New Orleans Saints...played 130 games with the Saints in 8 seasons (1972-80)...released by the Saints and signed as a free agent by the Baltimore Colts in 1981 and played 11 games...granted free agency on February 1982.

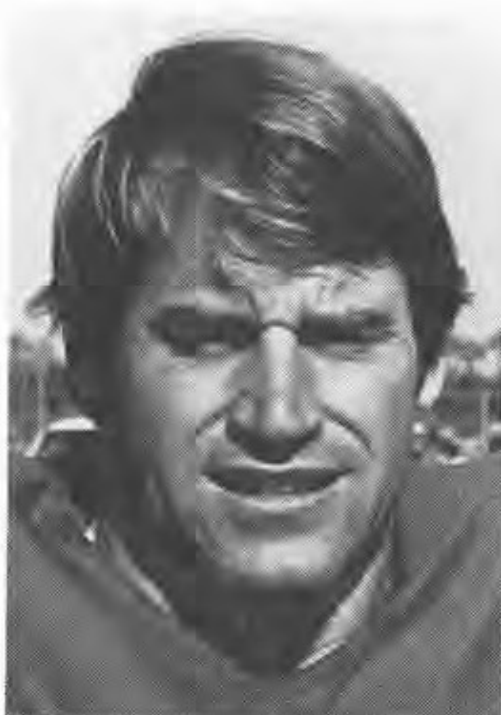
During 10-year career played in 141 NFL games, recovering 10 fumbles for 8 yards...had 5 interceptions for 26 yards...and returned two kickoffs for 20 yards.

Collegiate: Four-year letterman at Kentucky, where he was named 2nd team All-SEC in 1969 and 1st team All-SEC in 1971 by AP & UPI.

Personal: Received degree in physical education...married (Caroline), two children.



Jim Fahnhorst



Joe Federspiel

60 Richard Doak (Doak) Field, Jr.

Outside Linebacker 6-2 228 Baylor

Born: October 8, 1958, Burnet, Texas

USFL: Signed as a free agent.

Professional: Was selected in the 7th round of the 1981 NFL draft by the Philadelphia Eagles...played seven games before being placed on injured reserve...signed as a free agent by the St. Louis Cardinals in 1982, where he played in nine games.

Collegiate: Played four seasons (1977-80) at Baylor...named All-Southwest Conference linebacker in 1980...played in the Hula and Japan Bowls.

Personal: Lives in Lampasas, Texas...holds degree from Baylor University.

57 Dennis Flynn

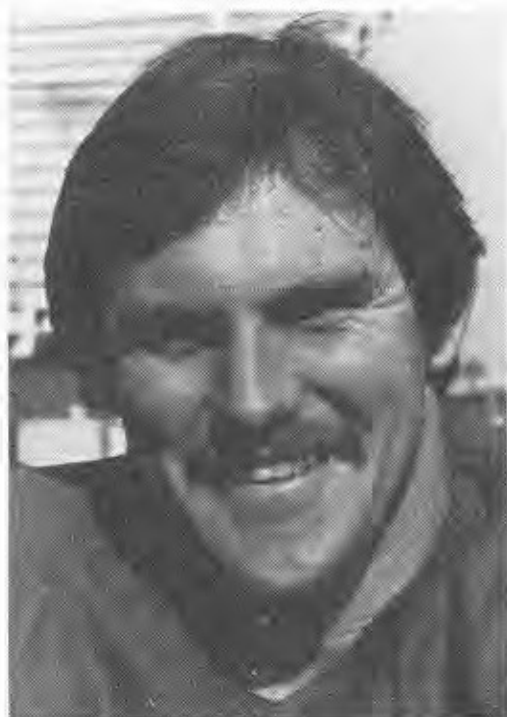
Offensive Guard/Tackle 6-3½ 270 Illinois

Born: November 19, 1958, Munster, Ind.

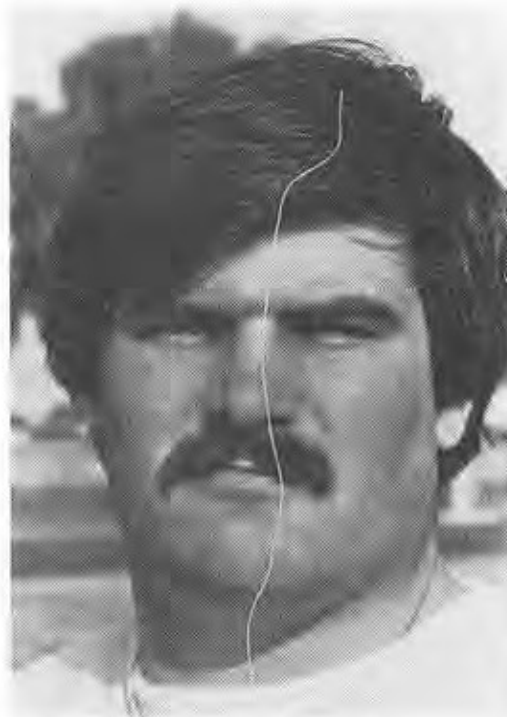
USFL: Signed as a free agent, territorial.

Collegiate: Three-year letterman at Illinois (1977-78, 1981)...moved to offense in spring of 1981 after playing three seasons on the defensive line...5th year player after a knee injury...named 1st team All-Big Ten Academic in 1981.

Personal: Holds degree in accounting from Illinois...worked in the office of the Dean of the School of Business at Illinois...became first athlete in Munster High School history to become all-state in two sports—football and wrestling...1st team all-state and Munster's Player-of-the-Year as a senior...runner-up in Indiana State wrestling tournament as a heavyweight...married, Gwentyth, and lives in Urbana, Ill...his sister, Katy, captained the Illinois women's swimming team.



Doak Field



Dennis Flynn

58 Bruce Coulton Gheesling

Outside Linebacker 6-1 212 **Furman University**

Born: April 5, 1960, Atlanta, Ga.

USFL: Signed as a free agent.

Collegiate: Played four seasons (1978-81) at Furman...had 387 career tackles (224 solo)...named first time All-Southern Conference three times (1979-81)...honorable mention AP All-American in 1979-80; 3rd team AP All-American in 1981.

Personal: Lives in Covington, GA....holds degree from Furman.

76 Kenneth Niles (Ken) Gillen

Defensive End 6-4 240 **Illinois**

Born: April 4, 1960, Baltimore, Md.

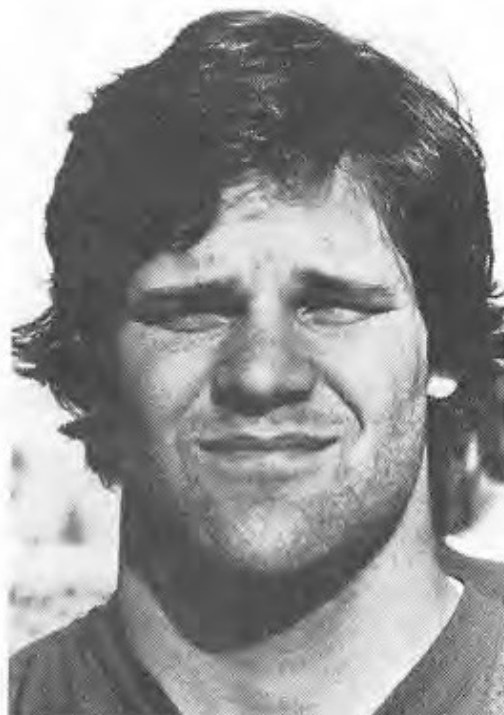
USFL: Signed as a free agent, territorial.

Collegiate: Played four years at Illinois (1978-80, 1982).

Personal: Graduated from St. Viator High School in Arlington Heights, Ill....lives in Neenah, Wis.



Bruce Gheesling



Ken Gillen

2 Trumaine Johnson

Wide Receiver 6-3 185 Grambling University

Born: November 16, 1960, Bogalooosa, La.

USFL: 1st round draft selection in 1983 USFL draft (11th position); signed January 14, 1983.

Collegiate: Four-year letterman at Grambling, where he rushed as a wing back, caught passes and returned punts and kickoffs...during three seasons (1980-82) he had all-purpose total of 4,133 yards...and his career pass receiving was 135 for 2,611 yards and 32 TDs.

In 1980, he led nation in NCAA Division 1-AA punt return average (17.4)...caught a 96-yard TD pass vs. Jackson State and totaled 167 yards on 3 receptions for an NCAA record for average per catch of 55.7 yards...his 13 TD receptions set a Louisiana state record for all schools.

A three-time All-Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC) selection...MVP on offense in SWAC in 1982 and All-American selection by Kodak, Sheridan and Sporting News.

On Sept. 25, 1982, Grambling defeated Florida A&M 43-21 to give Grambling's legendary coach Eddie Robinson his 300th career victory. Johnson almost single-handedly won the game in less than 5 minutes of the fourth quarter...erasing a 21-21 deadlock...he scored three of the last four Tiger TDs on two pass receptions of 13 and 20 yards and the third on a 64-yard punt return.

Holds Tiger career record for TD receptions and returned three punts for touchdowns during his career.

Personal: Lives in Baker, La....majored in child development at Grambling, where he has established a scholarship in his name to be funded 50% by Johnson and 50% by the Blitz. Is nicknamed "Too Cold" for his businesslike approach to the game.

14 Tim Koegel

Quarterback 6-4 205 Notre Dame

Born: October 28, 1958, Cincinnati, Ohio

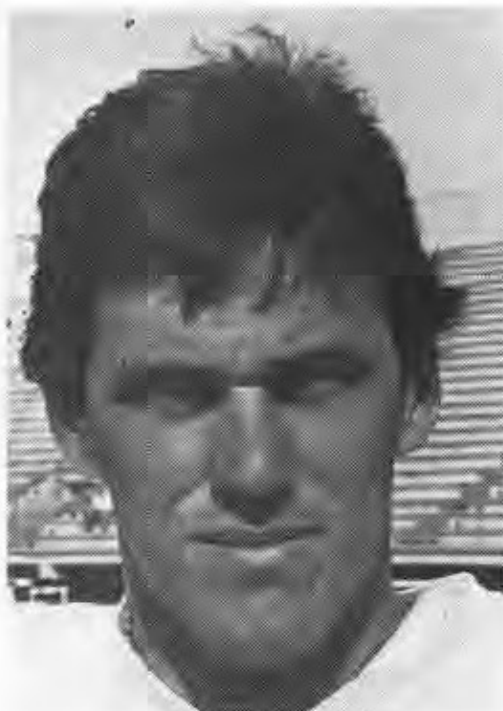
USFL: Signed as a free agent, territorial.

Collegiate: A three-year letterman at Notre Dame (1977, 1979, 1981)...gained 5th year of eligibility after neck injury in 1980 sidelined him...career passing was 72 of 140 for 979 yards, 5 interceptions and 7 TDs...rejoined former high school coach Gerry Faust in two-quarterback offense during 1981.

Personal: Led his Moeller High School team in Cincinnati to consecutive state championships in 1975-76... high school All-American and Ohio Player of the Year in 1976...earned Notre Dame degree in American studies...now enrolled in law school.



Trumaine Johnson



Tim Koegel

11 Greg Landry

Quarterback 6-4 209 **Massachusetts**

Born: December 18, 1946, Nashua, New Hampshire

USFL: Gained negotiating rights from Boston Breakers by trading rights to four players. Signed August 12, 1982.

Professional: Selected in 1st round of 1968 NFL draft by Detroit Lions...11th player selected overall, first quarterback. Played 11 seasons with Lions...acquired by the Baltimore Colts in 1979 in a trade for 4th and 5th round picks in 1979 and 3rd round pick in 1980...waived by Colts on July 23, 1982, at the start of his 15th professional season.

Career statistics:

	Yrs.	Games	Att.	Comp.	Yards	Int.	TD	Pct.	Rushes	Yards	TD
Detroit	11	103	1,749	957	12,451	81	80	54.7	389	2,493	19
Baltimore	3	43	533	308	3,402	19	17	57.8	39	152	1
TOTALS	14	146	2,282	1,265	15,853	100	97	55.4	428	2,645	20

Started in 102 games (89 with the Lions, 13 with the Colts).

Set NFL record for rushing yards by a quarterback (530) in 1971...ranked 2nd in NFC passing with 136 of 261 for 2,237 yards and 17 TDs...played in 1971 PRO BOWL...played in 41 straight games from 1968 through 7th game of 1973 before a knee injury stopped the string...named "Comeback Player of the Year" in 1976 when he passed for 2,191 yards, completing 57.7% of his passes (168 of 291) for 17 TDs...was the NFC's 2nd leading passer...set a Lions' record with 27 completions against New Orleans (11-14-76)...ended the 1977 season as the 4th ranked passer in the NFC with 1359 yards on 135 of 240 and 6 TDs.

Landry ranks 2nd to Detroit Hall of Famer Bobby Layne in four Lions' career passing records—attempts, completions, yards and TDs...established Colt records for most attempts (457) and completions (270) during the 1979 season, breaking Johnny Unitas' 1967 marks (another Hall of Famer)...his 2,932 passing yards in 1979 is the best single season total in Colt history, while his 59.1% completion rate is second best.

Career highs:

- 29 of 49 at New York Jets (12-2-79)
- 304 yards vs. Miami Dolphins (11-25-79)
- Longest—84 yards (TD) to Ron Jesse at Pittsburgh Steelers (9-16-73)
- 4 TDs vs. Green Bay Packers (10-10-71)
- Longest rush—76 yards vs. Green Bay Packers (12-20-70)

Has suffered two left knee injuries (1973 & 1975) and a shoulder injury (1974).

Collegiate: Was named NCAA small college All-American at Massachusetts...gained 4,763 yards on offense (1,632 rushing, 3,131 passing)...completed 242 of 445 passes...set 13 school records played in College All-Star and North-South games.

Personal: Earned BS in physical education...and master's in Sports Administration at Massachusetts...Dean's List student...he and his wife, Jeanine, who was an All-American gymnast at Massachusetts, are both members of the Massachusetts Hall of Fame...they live in Glenview, Ill., with their two daughters, Kathleen and Beth, and son Greg.



Greg Landry

70 Kit Lathrop

Defensive Tackle 6-4½ 264 Arizona State

Born: August 10, 1956, San Jose, Calif.

USFL: Signed as a free agent.

Professional: Had free agent tryouts with the Denver Broncos (1979) and Green Bay Packers (1980).

Collegiate: Played two seasons at Arizona State (1976-77) and two years at West Valley Junior College.

Personal: Holds degree from Arizona State...married (Becki)...lives in Las Vegas, Nev.

73 John Dana Lee

Defensive Line 6-2 259 Nebraska

Born: February 17, 1953, Fort Monmouth, N.J.

USFL: Signed as a free agent after trading Joe Restic, Jr., Notre Dame quarterback, to the Boston Breakers for the negotiating rights to Lee and Stan White on Jan. 5, 1983.

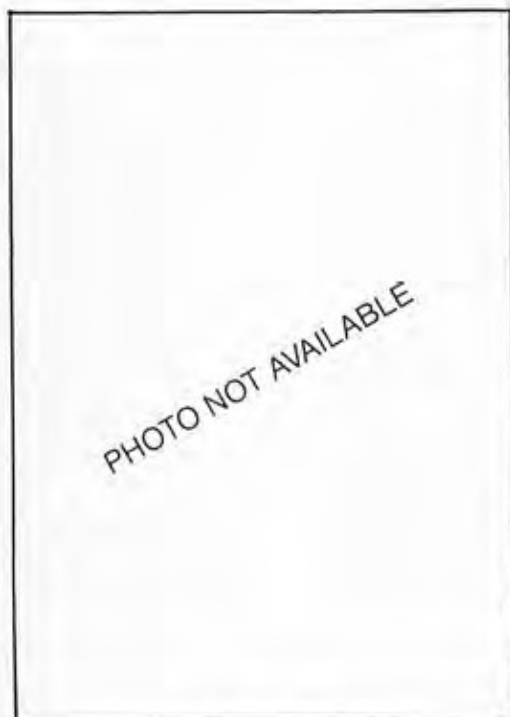
Professional: Selected in the 13th round of the 1976 NFL draft by the San Diego Chargers...played six seasons (1976-81) and 52 games with the Chargers, including 1980 AFC championship game...picked up as a free agent by the Chicago Bears in 1982, released.

Collegiate: Played at Nebraska.

Personal: Attended high school in Red Bank, N.J.



Kit Lathrop



John Lee

24 Virgil Chester Livers, Jr.

Cornerback 5-9½ 187..... **Western Kentucky**

Born: March 26, 1952, Bardstown, Ky.

USFL: Signed as a free agent after obtaining negotiating rights in a trade with the Oakland Invaders, by giving rights to linebacker Al Washington, who played with the New York Jets.

Professional: Selected in 4th round of 1975 NFL draft by the Chicago Bears. Played 5 seasons (1975-79) and 68 games with the Bears...was on injured reserve with a knee injury during 1980 season...released by the Bears and signed as a free agent by the Green Bay Packers in 1981...released by the Packers in 1982.

Career statistics: 12 interceptions for 230 yards and 2 TDs...86 punt returns for 738 yards (8.6 avg.)...27 kickoff returns for 543 yards (20.1 avg.)...four fumble recoveries.

Made 60 starts as the Bears' right corner...led team in 1977 with 16 passes broken up...key figure in two of Chicago's 1979 victories, blocking potential tying field goal try by Packers in a 6-3 opening day victory and setting up game-winning TD vs. Rams with 4th quarter interception.

Set NFL record (since broken) as a rookie with 42 punt returns without a fair catch...in 5 seasons, only fair caught two punts.

Collegiate: Went from freshman walk-on to senior star at Western Kentucky...also three-year letter winner in track (9.4 in 100)...was basketball cheerleader as a freshman...returned 50 punts for 545 yards, 3 TDs as a senior...president of Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity...earned BA in physical education and psychology. Set College All-Star game record with 88-yard punt return for a TD against the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Personal: Currently completing his master's degree at Roosevelt University in Chicago...authoring a book with working title "5-8 in the NFL"...he and his wife, Linda, live in Buffalo Grove, Ill., with their son, Alexander Gerald.



Virgil Livers

45 Kevin Fernando Long

Fullback 6-1½ 225 South Carolina

Born: January 20, 1955, Clinton, S.C.

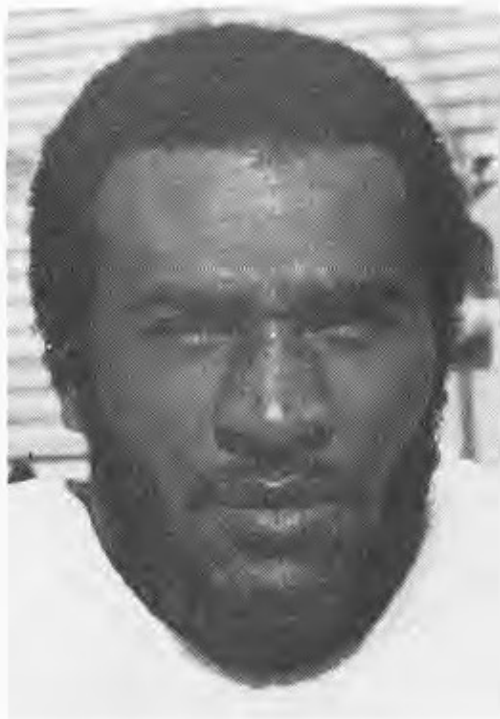
USFL: Signed as a free agent after obtaining negotiating rights from the Washington Federals in a two-player trade. The Blitz gave up its 5th round selection in the 1983 USFL draft for Long and Joe Federspiel.

Professional: Was selected in the 7th round of the 1977 NFL draft by the New York Jets. He played five seasons (1977-81) in 73 games...rushing for 2,190 yards on 574 carries (3.8 avg.) and 25 TDs...caught 74 passes for 539 yards and 3 TDs...best season was 1978 when he rushed for 954 yards on 214 carries (4.5 avg.) to lead the Jets and scored 10 TDs...he also caught 26 passes in 1978 for 204 yards...his rushing yards and TDs rank 2nd on the all-time Jets' career list.

He was released by the Jets during the 1982 pre-season.

Collegiate: Became the first South Carolina rusher to gain more than 1,000 yards when he posted a 6.0 avg. on 1,133 yards in 1975...he ranks 5th on the all-time Gamecock career list with 2,372 yards.

Personal: He holds a degree from South Carolina...he and his wife, Frankie, have two children and live in Columbia, S.C.



Kevin Long

71 Karl P. Lorch, Jr.

Defensive End 6-4 260 **Southern California**

Born: June 14, 1950, Honolulu, Hawaii

USFL: Signed as a free agent after obtaining negotiating rights in a trade with the Los Angeles Express, giving up rights to Mack Mitchell, a six-year NFL veteran defensive end.

Professional: Was selected in the 9th round of the 1973 NFL draft by the Miami Dolphins. Following the draft, he signed as a free agent with The Hawaiians of the World Football League (WFL) in his native Honolulu, where he was a two-year regular (1974-75).

His negotiating rights were traded to George Allen's Washington Redskins in 1975 and he was signed after the WFL folded in April 1976. He was a Redskin regular for six seasons (1976-81)...granted free agency in 1982 and his contract was not renewed on June 1, 1982.

He signed as a free agent by the Green Bay Packers in 1982, but was released.

Played in 31 WFL games and 90 in the NFL...started all 16 games in 1980, making 66 unassisted tackles and registered 8 quarterback sacks...also started in 1981 until early November...had biggest moment of his career in 1979 when he intercepted a pass and returned it 31 yards for a TD against the New York Giants on a "Monday Night Football" game.

Collegiate: Played both defensive end and tackle for the Trojans...appeared in one Rose Bowl.

Personal: Received physical education degree from USC...he and his wife, Cheryl, have two children and live in Nanakuli, Hawaii...nickname: "K.P."

61 Andrew Richard Melontree, Jr.

Outside Linebacker 6-3½ 223 **Baylor**

Born: December 1, 1957, Tyler, Texas

USFL: Signed as a free agent.

Professional: Selected in the 6th round of the 1980 NFL draft by the Cincinnati Bengals. Released by the Bengals in 1981 and signed as a free agent by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and subsequently released. Played 16 games in 1980 for the Bengals.

Collegiate: Attended Tyler Junior College and Baylor University, where he lettered in 1978-79...named All-Southwest Conference defensive end in 1979...was Baylor's defensive MVP and Peach Bowl MVP in 1979.

Personal: Brother of Lester, who is a defensive end with the Pittsburgh Steelers...resident of Tyler, Texas.



Karl Lorch, Jr.



Andy Melontree, Jr.

1 Frank Minnifield

Cornerback 5-9 180 **Louisville**

Born: January 1, 1960, Lexington, Ky.

USFL: Signed after being selected in 3rd round of 1983 USFL draft, 31st player picked overall.

Collegiate: A versatile defender and big-play specialist during career at Louisville...led nation in kickoff returns as a junior with 11 for a 30.4 avg, including an 89-yarder for a TD...was 4th nationally in 1982 in punt returns with a 15.0 avg...had four career interceptions, including a 56 yard TD return in 1982...had an 88-yard punt return for a TD...regarded as best athlete on team...had 117 tackles in final three seasons.

Personal: Brother Guy plays basketball for Morehead (Ky.) State...cousin Dirk is a starter for the Kentucky basketball team...major is accounting...lives in Lexington, Ky.

68 Timothy Scott Norman

Offensive Tackle 6-6½ 274 **Illinois**

Born: July 10, 1959, Oak Park, Ill.

USFL: Signed as a free agent, territorial.

Professional: Had a free agent tryout with the Washington Redskins (1982).

Collegiate: Played four seasons at Illinois (1976-77, 1979-80).

Personal: Lives in Winfield, Ill.



Frank Minnifield



Tim Norman

86 Artie Owens

Flanker 5-11½ 182..... West Virginia

Born: January 14, 1953, Montgomery, Ala.

USFL: Signed as a free agent.

Professional: Selected in the 4th round of the 1976 NFL draft by the San Diego Chargers...played four seasons with the Chargers (1976-79) before being waived...picked up by the Buffalo Bills for four games in 1980, cut and signed for the final three 1980 games by the New Orleans Saints. Was traded to the San Francisco 49ers in 1981 and waived in the pre-season.

In 61 NFL games, he returned 96 kickoffs for a 22.4 yard avg. and scored 3 TDs...caught 27 passes for 418 yards and 2 TDs.

Collegiate: Played at West Virginia.

Personal: Holds a BS degree from West Virginia...he and his wife, Cissy, have one child and live in Stroudsburg, Pa.

65 Walter George (Wally) Pesuit

Offensive Guard/Center 6-4 267 Kentucky

Born: March 4, 1954, Steubenville, Ohio

USFL: Signed as a free agent after Blitz traded for negotiating rights for Pesuit and Rolland Lawrence, 8-year veteran NFL cornerback, from the Birmingham Stallions in exchange for rights to Ron McCall, wide receiver from Arkansas Pine-Bluff, and Garry Knaflec, tight end from Notre Dame.

Professional: Selected in 5th round of the 1976 NFL draft by the Dallas Cowboys, subsequently signed by the Atlanta Falcons, Miami Dolphins and Detroit Lions...played in 47 NFL games—Atlanta (1 in 1976), Miami (30 in 1977-78) and Detroit (16 in 1979).

Collegiate: Played at Kentucky, where he was named outstanding lineman in 1975...played in Senior Bowl and East-West Shrine Game in 1975.

Personal: Earned a business administration degree in 1976 from Kentucky...he and his wife, Lee, live in Nashville, Tenn.



Artie Owens



Wally Pesuit

7 Tom Porras

Quarterback 6-2 198 **Washington**

Born: March 28, 1958, Port Hueneme, Calif.

USFL: Signed as a free agent.

Professional: Had a free agent tryout with the Oakland Raiders (1980)...played semi-pro ball for the Ventura County Americans (1980-81).

Collegiate: Played at Ventura Junior College (1976-77), where he was named MVP, Athlete of the Year, All-Western State Conference and Junior College All-American...University of Washington (1976-79) where he set school record with 88 passes without an interception...played in 1979 Sun Bowl (14-7 victory over Texas).

Personal: Earned BA degree from Washington...plays the guitar...lives in Port Hueneme, Calif.

86 Paul Lloyd Ricker

Tight End 6-3½ 243 **Norwich University**

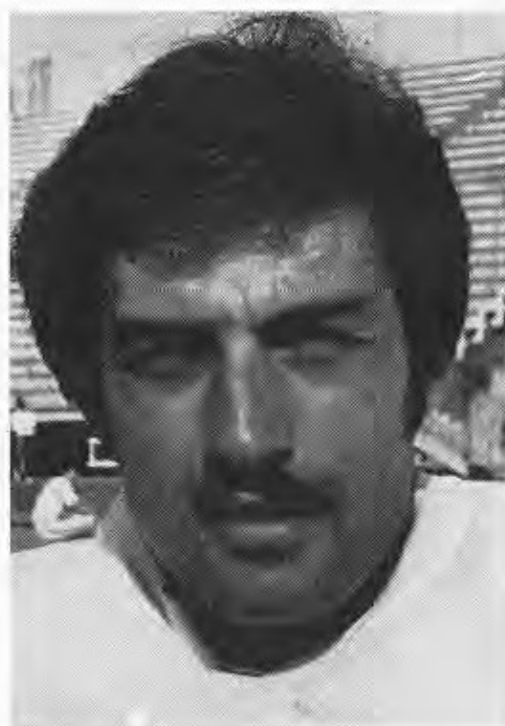
Born: September 23, 1956, Massachusetts

USFL: Signed as a free agent.

Professional: Had free agent tryouts with the New England Patriots (1979-80).

Collegiate: Twice named to the All-New England All-Star team...named ECAC Player-of-the-Week.

Personal: Holds degree in business and accounting from Norwich...lives in Hamilton, Mass.



Tom Porras



Paul Ricker

12 Thomas Edward Rozantz

Quarterback 6-2 195 **College of William & Mary**

Born: April 17, 1957, Greensburg, Pa.

USFL: Signed as a free agent.

Professional: Had free agent tryouts with Saskatchewan, Hamilton and Toronto of the Canadian Football League.

Collegiate: Four-year letterman (1975-78) at William & Mary, where he holds the all-time career record for total offense (5,385 yards)...named All-Southern Conference and AP honorable mention in 1976...AP All-American in 1977...co-captain in 1978.

Personal: Holds degree from William & Mary...lives in Fairview, Pa.

37 Pat Schmidt

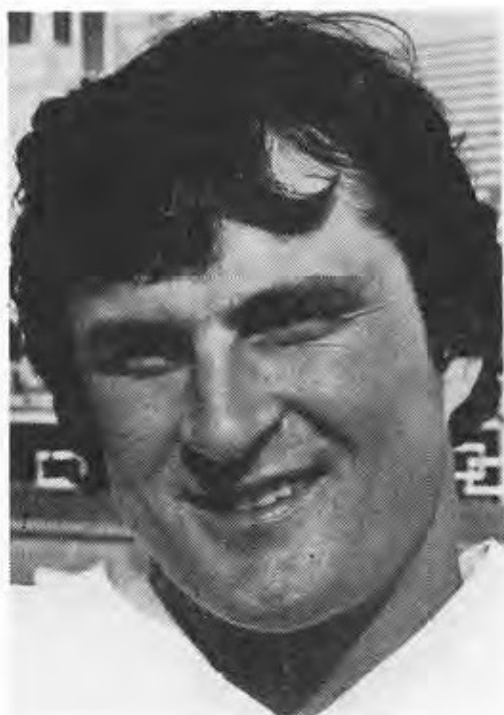
Safety 6-2½ 190 **Hawaii**

Born: July 15, 1956, Wichita, Kan.

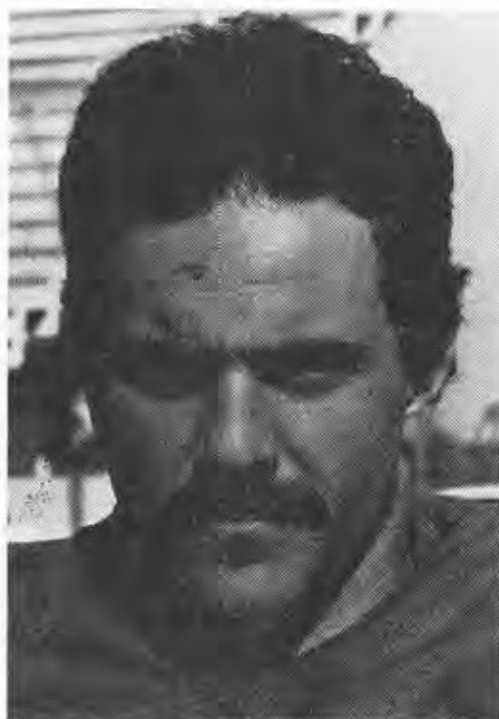
USFL: Signed as a free agent.

Collegiate: Attended UCLA (1974-76) and Hawaii (1977-78).

Personal: Lives in Torrence, Calif.



Tom Rozantz



Pat Schmidt

28 Donald Jeffrey Schwartz

Safety 6-1½ 195 **Washington State**

Born: February 24, 1956, Billings, Mont.

USFL: Signed as a free agent after a trade for negotiating rights with the Michigan Panthers.

Professional: Selected in 4th round of 1978 NFL draft by the New Orleans Saints...signed by the St. Louis Cardinals as a free agent in 1981...played in 51 NFL games—New Orleans (46 in 1978-80) and St. Louis (5 in 1981)...released in 1982 pre-season.

Collegiate: Played at Washington State (1974-77).

Personal: Earned BBA in economics from Washington State in 1978...he and his wife, Laurie, live in Edmonds, Wash.

22 Lance Shields

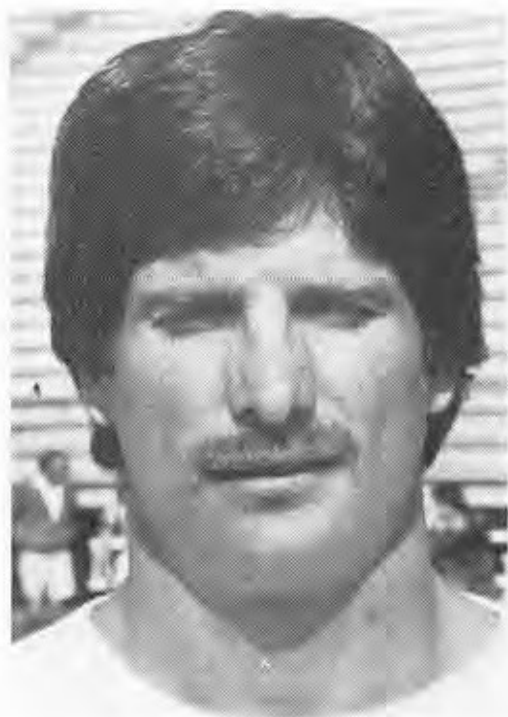
Cornerback 6-½ 176 **Drake University**

Born: April 1, 1960, Buffalo, N.Y.

USFL: Signed as a free agent at a Dallas free agent tryout.

Collegiate: Led Missouri Valley Conference in punt returns (1979-80)...first team All-MVC in 1981...honorable mention All-American...Drake won 1981 MVC championship.

Personal: Needs 16 hours for degree in special education...lives in Buffalo, N.Y., where he attended Sweet Home High School.



Don Schwartz



Lance Shields

56 Henry Edward (Ed) Smith

Outside Linebacker 6-2¼ 225 **Vanderbilt**

Born: May 18, 1957, Knoxville, Tenn.

USFL: Signed as a free agent, assigned rights.

Professional: Selected in 12th round of the 1979 NFL draft by the Pittsburgh Steelers...released and signed as a free agent by the Baltimore Colts. Played in 32 consecutive games with the Colts, starting in 8...released and signed as a free agent by the St. Louis Cardinals in 1982, where he played in 6 games.

Collegiate: Began career (1975-78) at Vanderbilt as a defensive end in first two seasons, moved to linebacker in junior year and led team in tackles with 155...sustained knee injury in senior year and missed most of the season following surgery. Was named All-Southeastern Conference in 1977.

Personal: Lettered in four sports at McCallie High School in Chattanooga, Tenn....all-state in football...was one of state's top wrestlers in junior and senior years and competed in baseball and track...lives in Owings Mills, Md.



Ed Smith

46 Tim Spencer

Halfback 6-1 212 **Ohio State**

Born: December 10, 1960, Martins Ferry, Ohio

USFL: 1st round selection in the 1983 USFL draft (2nd overall). Blitz had been assigned 6th position in the first round by lottery, but traded with the Arizona Wranglers to gain its 2nd position in the 1st round and the negotiating rights to former Los Angeles Rams kicker-punter Frank Corral. Wranglers gained the Blitz 6th position, plus negotiating rights to Calvin Murray, Ohio State running back, and Tony Eason, Illinois quarterback. Eason was a territorial pick by the Blitz.

Collegiate: Four-year letterman at Ohio State (1979-82)...led Big Ten in rushing (1,034 yards) and all-purpose running (151.4 yard avg.) in 1982...twice named All-Big Ten tailback...2nd team UPI All-American and Ohio State's MVP in 1982...ranked 8th nationally in rushing in 1982 (124.6 yard avg.) and 9th nationally in all-purpose running (145.7 yard avg.).

Career Statistics: 3,386 yards rushing, 5.4 avg., 34 TDs (4th highest in Big Ten history)...39 pass receptions for 347 yards and 1 TD...32 kickoff returns for 638 yards...4,371 all-purpose running yards (6.3 avg.).

In 1982: He rushed for 953 yards (6.3 avg.) and 9 TDs in final six games (158.5 yards per game) as compared to 97.0 yards per game in first five games. Including the Holiday Bowl (in which he was named MVP), his 1,540 rushing yards is 3rd highest in Big Ten history.

He finished with seven consecutive 100-plus yard games...and had 13 in his career...he had 36 Buckeye starts, the first two seasons playing as a fullback and the final two as a tailback.

Personal: Was a high school All-American at Richland High School in St. Clairsville, Ohio, where he had 3,144 career rushing yards and 49 touchdowns...father is a minister...a business major.

67 Mark Oliver Stevenson

Offensive Guard 6-3 276 **Western Illinois**

Born: February 24, 1956, Waukegan, Ill.

USFL: Signed as a free agent, territorial.

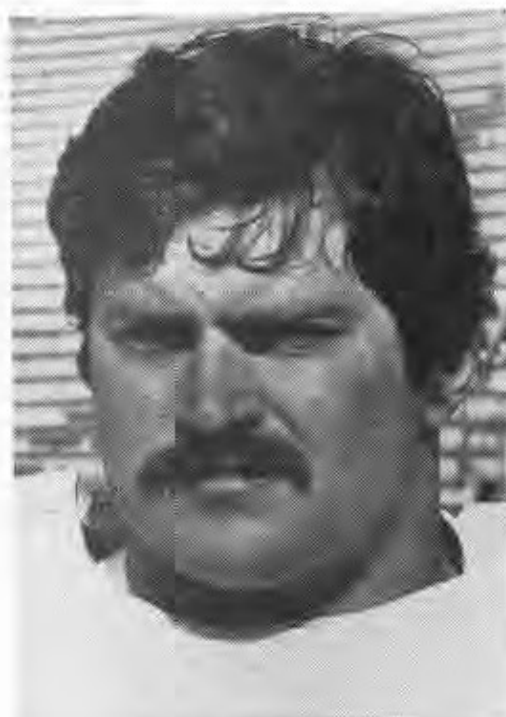
Professional: Had free agent tryouts with the Seattle Seahawks (1979) and Chicago Bears (1982)...played with the Chicago Fire (1981) of the American Football Assn.

Collegiate: Began collegiate career at Missouri (1974-75)...transferred to Western Illinois, where he lettered twice (1977-78)...named All-Mid-Continent Conference.

Personal: Prepped at Rock Island (Ill.) High School...he and his wife, Debra, live in Frankfort, Ill., with their three children.



Tim Spencer



Mark Stevenson

42 James E. (Jim) Stone

Halfback 6-1½ 215 **Notre Dame**

Born: November 18, 1985, New Orleans, La.

USFL: Signed as a free agent, territorial.

Professional: Selected in the 9th round of the 1981 NFL draft by the Seattle Seahawks...released by Seahawks and signed as a free agent by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers...released.

Collegiate: A four-year letterman (1977-80) at Notre Dame...in 1980, he rushed for 908 yards (192 carries, 4.7 avg., 7 TDs) for 7th best all-time season's total in Irish history...holds Notre Dame record for 4 consecutive games of 100 yards or more rushing (1980), including 2 games more than 200 yards—224 (38 carries) vs. Miami, Fla., (3rd best all-time) and 211 (33 carries) vs. Navy (5th best all-time).

Personal: Received BA in communications from Notre Dame in 1981...prepped at John F. Kennedy High School in Seattle...lives in South Bend, Ind.

75 Rob Taylor

Offensive Tackle 6-6 281 **Northwestern**

Born: November 14, 1960

USFL: Signed as a free agent, territorial.

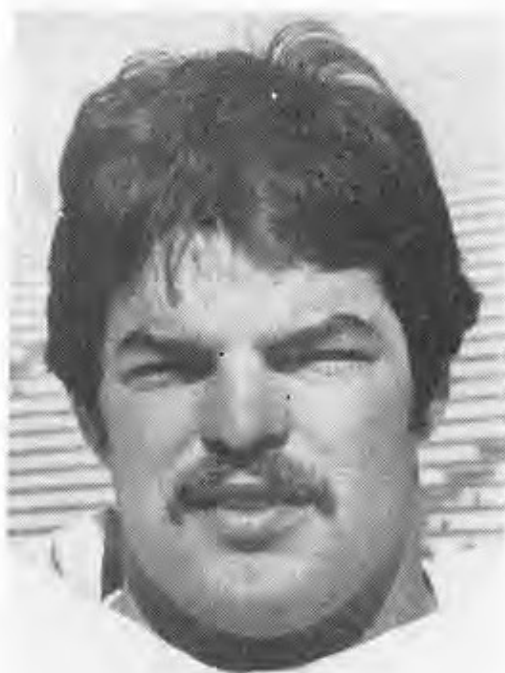
Professional: Selected in the 12th round of the 1982 NFL draft by the Philadelphia Eagles...released in pre-season, signed as a free agent by the Baltimore Colts, played in pre-season game against the Chicago Bears in Soldier Field and released.

Collegiate: A four-year starter at Northwestern...originally a defensive end, was moved to offensive guard as a sophomore before moving over to offensive tackle as a junior...increased strength and size each year and was named honorable mention All-Big Ten in 1981.

Personal: Holds degree in engineering from Northwestern...prepped at Fairmont East High School in Kettering, Ohio, where he lives...lettered in football (2), basketball (2) and baseball (1) as a prep...all-league selection as a defensive tackle in high school.



Jim Stone



Rob Taylor

79 Troy Wayne Thomas

Defensive End 6-6 240 **Grambling University**

Born: October 11, 1957, Shreveport, La.

USFL: Signed as a free agent.

Professional: Signed as a free agent in 1979 by the San Francisco 49ers...was on injured reserve entire season with ankle injury...released by the 49ers in 1980 and signed by the Green Bay Packers...had leg injury and was on injured reserve entire season...released in 1981.

Collegiate: Played at Grambling (1974-76, 1978).

Personal: Played high school ball at North Caddo in Vivian, La...lives in Haywood, Calif.

50 Steve Tobin

Center 6-4½ 259 **Minnesota**

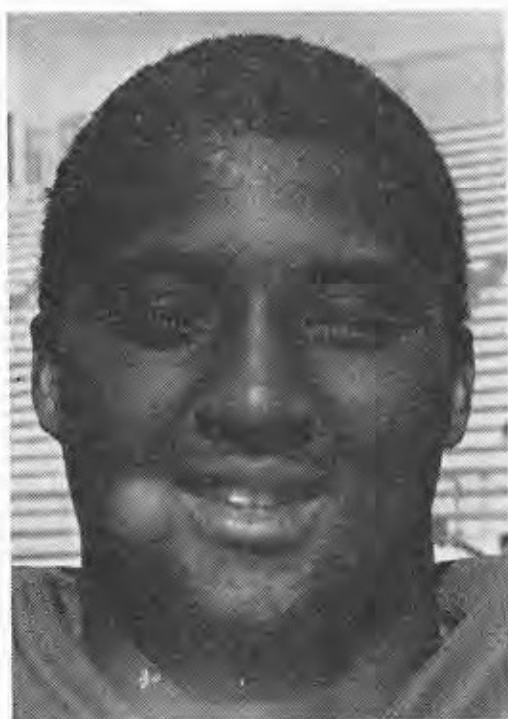
Born: March 29, 1957, Breckenridge, Minn.

USFL: Signed as a free agent.

Professional: Signed as a free agent by the New York Giants in 1980...played in 4 games before being placed on injured reserve for remainder of season with a back injury...released in 1981.

Collegiate: Played at Minnesota (1975-76, 1978-79).

Personal: Has been attending Moorhead State (Minn.)...lives in Moorhead, where he prepped.



Troy Thomas



Steve Tobin

1983 CHICAGO BLITZ PRE-SEASON TRAINING CAMP ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

As of February 21, 1983

Junior Ah You, DE	77	Virgil Livers, CB	24
Marcus Anderson, Flk	80	Kevin Long, FB	48
Robert Barnes, C	54	Karl Lorch, Jr.	71
Dennis Bishop, CB	23	Marc May, TE	87
Mack Boatner, FB	43	Andy Melontree, Jr., OLB	61
Luther Bradley, FS	27	Frank Minnifield, CB	1
Bruce Branch, OG	59	Tim Norman, OT	68
Eddie Brown, FS	25	Artie Owens, Flk	86
Mark Buben, DT	63	Wally Pesuit, OG/C	65
Wamon Buggs, WR	88	Tom Porras, QB	7
Dario Casarino, P/PK	10	Tom Rozantz, QB	12
Bob Cobb, DE	72	Pat Schmidt, S	37
Frank Collins, HB	26	Don Schwartz, S	28
Doug Cozen, TE	84	Lance Shields, CB	22
Doug Dennison, HB	21	Ed Smith, OLB	56
Larry Douglas, WR	82	Tim Spencer, HB	46
T. K. Ehlebracht, WR	85	Mark Stevenson, OG	67
Joe Ehrmann, DT	74	Jim Stone, HB	42
Nick Eyre, OT	78	John Sullivan, MLB	53
Jim Fahnhorst, MLB	55	Rob Taylor, OT	75
Joe Federspiel, MLB	51	Troy Thomas, DE	79
Doak Field, OLB	60	Steve Tobin, C	50
Dennis Flynn, OG/OT	57	Richard Torbert, OG	62
Bruce Gheesling, DT	58	Maurice Tyler, CB	20
Ken Gillen, DE	76	Ted Walton, Jr., CB	29
Allen Hughes, DE	73	Stan White, OLB	52
Trumaine Johnson, WR	2	Lenny Willis, Flk	89
Tim Koegel, QB	14	Tim Wrightman, TE	81
Greg Landry, QB	11	Kari Yli-Renko, OT	69
Kit Lathrop, DT	70		

Pronunciations



Players

Corral	Kore-AL
Ehlebracht	L-brock
Ehrmann	URR-man
Eyre	EYE-ur
Fahnhorst	FAWN-horst
Federspiel	FED-ur-speel
Gheesling	GEESE-ling
Koegel	KAY-gull
Livers	LIE-vers
Pesuit	PEH-suit
Yli-Renko	LEE-renko

Coaches

Haering	HARE-ing
Teerlinck	TEER-link
Wietecha	WHY-tekka

1983 ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Exp.	College
1	Frank Minnifield	CB	5-9	180	23	R	Louisville
2	Trumaine Johnson	WR	6-3	192	22	R	Grambling University
3	Frank Corral	P/PK	6-2	228	27	4	UCLA
7	Tom Porras	QB	6-2	192	24	R	Washington
11	Greg Landry	QB	6-4	209	36	14	Massachusetts
12	Tom Rozantz	QB	6-2	195	25	R	William & Mary
14	Tim Koegel	QB	6-4	205	24	R	Notre Dame
20	Maurice Tyler	CB	6-1	194	32	7	Morgan State
21	Doug Dennison	HB	6-1	200	31	5	Kutztown State
22	Lance Shields	CB	6-0½	179	22	R	Drake
24	Virgil Livers	CB	5-9½	187	30	5	Western Kentucky
25	Eddie Brown	FS	5-11½	204	30	6	Tennessee
26	Frank Collins	HB	5-9½	192	28	4	Utah
27	Luther Bradley	FS	6-2	201	27	4	Notre Dame
28	Don Schwartz	S	6-1½	195	27	4	Washington State
29	Ted Walton, Jr.	CB	5-10½	200	25	R	Connecticut
37	Pat Schmidt	S	6-2½	190	26	R	Hawaii
42	Jim Stone	HB	6-1½	215	24	R	Notre Dame
43	Mack Boatner	FB	6-0	225	24	R	Southeastern Louisiana
45	Kevin Long	FB	6-1½	224	28	5	South Carolina
46	Tim Spencer	HB	6-1	210	22	R	Ohio State
50	Steve Tobin	C	6-4½	259	25	1	Minnesota
51	Joe Federspiel	MLB	6-1½	242	32	10	Kentucky
52	Stan White	OLB	6-1	223	33	11	Ohio State
53	Andy Melontree, Jr.	OLB	6-3½	220	25	1	Baylor
54	Robert Barnes	C	6-4	258	24	R	SMU
55	Jim Fahnhorst	MLB	6-4	240	24	R	Minnesota
56	Ed Smith	OLB	6-2¼	225	25	3	Vanderbilt
57	Dennis Flynn	OG/OT	6-3½	270	24	R	Illinois
57	Doak Field	OLB	6-2	228	24	2	Baylor
58	Bruce Gheesling	OLB	6-1	212	22	R	Furman
59	Bruce Branch	OG	6-3½	258	22	R	Arizona State
62	Richard Torbert	OG	6-2	259	26	R	Arizona State
63	Mark Buben	DT	6-3	260	25	3	Tufts
65	Wally Pesuit	OG/C	6-4	257	28	4	Kentucky
67	Mark Stevenson	OG	6-3	276	27	R	Western Illinois
68	Tim Norman	OT	6-6½	273	23	R	Illinois
69	Kari Yli-Renko	OT	6-3½	273	23	R	Cincinnati
70	Kit Lathrop	DT	6-4½	264	26	R	Arizona State
71	Karl Lorch, Jr.	DE	6-4	260	32	8	Southern California
72	Bob Cobb	DE	6-4½	266	25	1	Arizona
73	John Lee	DL	6-2	259	30	6	Nebraska
74	Joe Ehrmann	DT	6-3	250	33	10	Syracuse
75	Rob Taylor	OT	6-6	281	22	R	Northwestern
76	Ken Gillen	DE	6-4	240	22	R	Illinois
77	Junior Ah You	DE	6-2½	238	34	10	Arizona State
78	Nick Eyre	OT	6-6	278	23	1	BYU
79	Troy Thomas	DE	6-6	240	26	R	Grambling University
80	Marcus Anderson	Flk	5-11½	172	23	1	Tulane
81	Tim Wrightman	TE	6-3½	236	22	R	UCLA
82	Larry Douglas	WR	6-1	185	25	R	Southern University
84	Doug Cozen	TE	6-4½	241	25	R	Illinois
85	T. K. Ehlebracht	WR	6-2	183	24	R	North Central
86	Artie Owens	WR	5-11½	184	30	5	West Virginia
86	Paul Ricker	TE	6-3½	243	26	R	Norwich U.
88	Wamon Buggs	WR	6-2¼	200	22	R	Vanderbilt
89	Lenny Willis	Flk	5-11½	194	29	4	Ohio State

62 Richard Eugene Torbert

Offensive Guard 6-2 259 **Arizona State**

Born: March 25, 1956

USFL: Signed as a free agent.

Collegiate: Played four years at Arizona State (1974-77).

Personal: Attended Lowell High School...lives in LaHabra, Calif.

20 Maurice Michael Tyler

Cornerback 6-1 194 **Morgan State**

Born: July 19, 1950, Baltimore, Md.

USFL: Signed as a free agent.

Professional: Selected in 10th round of 1972 NFL draft by the Buffalo Bills...claimed on waivers in 1973 by the Denver Broncos...traded to San Diego Chargers in 1975...released and signed by Detroit Lions in 1976...claimed on waivers by the New York Jets in 1977, released in 1978 and signed as a free agent by the New York Giants in 1978 and released in 1979 pre-season.

Has played 7 years in the NFL and 86 games—Buffalo (14) in 1972...Denver (28) in 1973-74...San Diego (13) in 1975...Detroit (9) in 1976...Jets (14) in 1977...and Giants (8) in 1978.

Career statistics: 5 interceptions for 61 yards, 4 fumble recoveries...5 punt returns for 26 yards...2 kickoff returns for 25 yards...blocked a punt in the end zone for a TD.

Collegiate: Attended Community College of Baltimore (1968-70) and Morgan State (1970-72)...played four years (1968-71).

Personal: Attended Mergenthaler Vocational Technical High School in Baltimore...received BS degree in physical education from Morgan State...he and his wife, Marilyn, live in Marietta, Ga., with their two children.

29 Theodore (Ted) Walton, Jr.

Cornerback 5-10½ 200 **University of Connecticut**

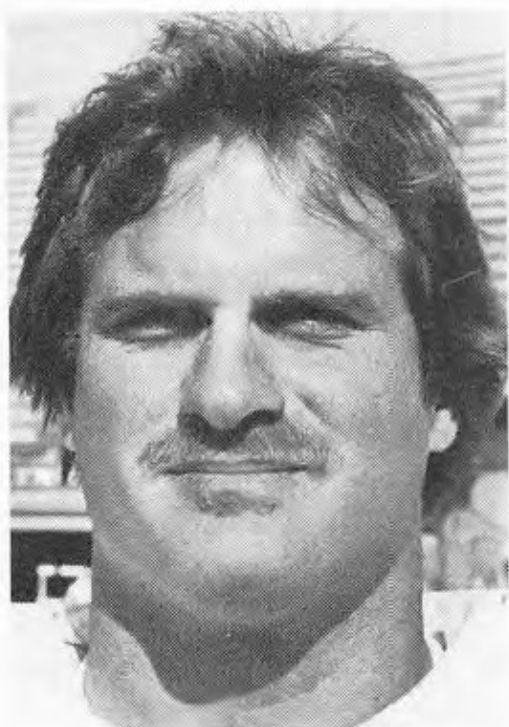
Born: August 11, 1957, Robersonville, N.C.

USFL: Signed as a free agent.

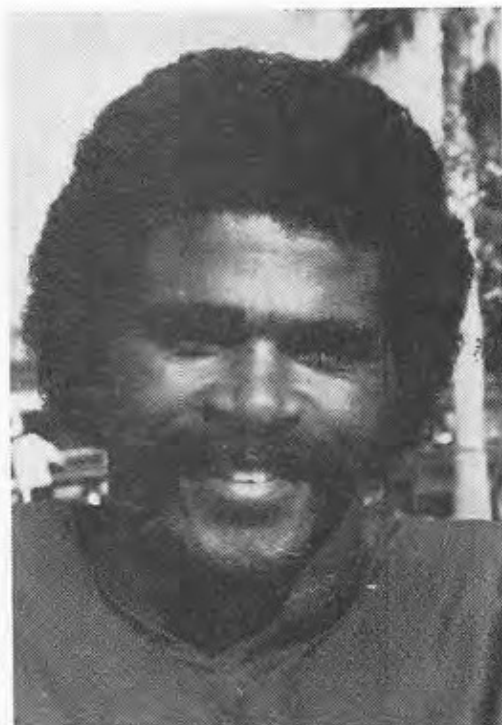
Professional: Selected in the 8th round of the 1980 NFL draft by the Pittsburgh Steelers...on injured reserve during 1980 season with a neck injury...released and signed as a free agent by the New York Giants in 1982.

Collegiate: A three-year starter at Connecticut where he had 14 career interceptions...twice named All-Yankee Conference (1976 and 1979)...sat out 1977 season with injury...in 1978 vs. New Hampshire, had a 98-yard kickoff return...twice named ECAC 1st team (1978-79).

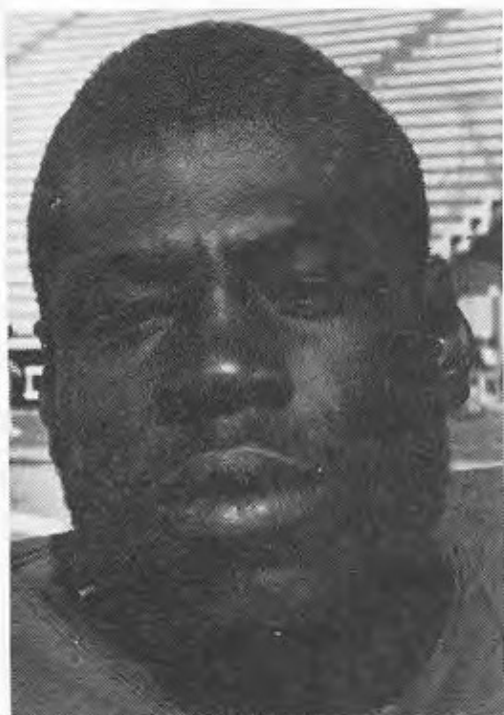
Personal: Attended Warren Harding High School in Bridgeport, Conn., where he lives...needs to complete practice teaching for degree in sports and leisure studies.



Richard Torbert



Maurice Tyler



Ted Walton, Jr.

52 Stanley Ray (Stan) White

Outside Linebacker 6-1 223 Ohio State

Born: October 24, 1949, Dover, Ohio

USFL: Signed as a free agent on Feb. 6, 1983, after negotiating rights were obtained from the Boston Breakers on Jan. 5, 1983. The Blitz traded quarterback Joe Restic, Jr., of Notre Dame to the Breakers for the rights to White and defensive end John Lee.

Professional: Selected in the 17th round of the 1972 NFL draft by the Baltimore Colts. He was traded to the Detroit Lions for an 8th round pick in the 1980 NFL draft on April 24, 1980.

Played eight seasons and 112 games with the Colts (1972-79)...missed only 4 games as a Colt...holds Colts' record for longest fumble return—64 yards vs. Buffalo Bills on Dec. 12, 1976...played three seasons (1980-82) and 41 games with the Lions...a total of 153 NFL games in 11 seasons.

Has started in 139 consecutive regular season games...has 34 career interceptions (2nd all-time interceptor in NFL among linebackers) for 407 return yards and 2 TDs...led Colts in interceptions in 1973 (4) and 1975 (8), an NFL record for linebackers...recovered 15 fumbles...is tied with Barney Poole (1953) for Colts' record for most fumble recoveries in a season—6 in 1973...was Lions' MVP on defense in 1980-81 and defensive captain in Detroit.

Tackle statistics in three seasons with Detroit: 211 solos...in 1980 against the Chicago Bears spearheaded defense that held Bears to 24 net yards.

Worked much of his Colt and Lion career under defensive coordinator Maxie Baughan, a George Allen protege.

Collegiate: Three-year letterman at Ohio State (1969-71) under Woody Hayes...two-time All-Big Ten selection...started every game during final three seasons...Big Ten co-champions in 1969...Big Ten and National Champions in 1970...also kicked off and did some punting and placekicking for the Buckeyes.

Personal: Graduated with a degree in accounting from Ohio State...Magna Cum Laude from the University of Baltimore Law School in 1978...and has been attending the University of Baltimore for a master's degree in tax law...has practiced law in the Baltimore area.

Lives in Cockeysville, Md., with his wife, Patty, and daughters, Amanda and Meghan.



Stan White

89 Leonard Leroy (Lenny) Willis

Flanker 5-11½ 194 **Ohio State**

Born: March 14, 1953, Washington, D.C.

USFL: Signed as a free agent.

Professional: Selected in the 4th round of the 1976 NFL draft by the Minnesota Vikings...released and signed as a free agent by the New Orleans Saints in September 1977...released and signed as a free agent by the Buffalo Bills in November 1977...played 4 seasons and 36 games—Minnesota (14) in 1976...New Orleans (7) in 1977 and Buffalo (15) in 1977-79.

Career statistics: 31 punt returns for 207 yards...37 kickoff returns for 792 yards...recovered 2 fumbles and caught 2 passes for 41 yards (1978)...played in 1976 NFC and NFL championship games.

Collegiate: Lettered twice at Ohio State (1974-75)...ranks 2nd on the all-time Ohio State list for kickoff return yardage with 420...had previously attended Nebraska Southern Junior College.

Personal: Attended Roosevelt High School in Washington, D.C....holds a degree from Ohio State...lives in Columbus, Ohio, with his wife, Arlette, and two children.

81 Timothy Jon (Tim) Wrightman

Tight End 6-3½ 236 **UCLA**

Born: March 27, 1960, Harbor City, Calif.

USFL: Signed as a free agent after trading negotiating rights of quarterback Dan Manucci to the Arizona Wranglers. Signed on Aug. 5, 1982.

Professional: Selected in 3rd round of 1982 NFL draft by the Chicago Bears; the Bears' 2nd pick overall.

Collegiate: Four-year letterman at UCLA (1978-81), where he became a consensus All-American selection in 1981 (5th UCLA player to receive unanimous acclaim)...selections by AP, UPI, Kodak, Walter Camp...also Academic All-American (3.1 GPA in history).

Named All-Pac-10 twice...led team in pass receiving as a sophomore (22 for 321 yards and 2 TDs)...career pass receptions—71 for 933 yards and 9 TDs...superior blocker...Coach Terry Donahue felt he was UCLA's "secret weapon" as a pass receiver...played in the 1981 Bluebonnet Bowl against Michigan, the Olympia Gold Bowl All-Star game, organized by George Allen, and the 1982 Hula Bowl.

Personal: Attended Mary Star of the Sea High School in San Pedro, where he became a high school All-American...All-CIF (Division II) as a senior...South Bay and Santa Fe League Players-of-the-Year as a senior...caught 52 passes in his junior and senior seasons for 821 yards and 14 TDs...also lettered in baseball...lives in San Pedro, Calif.



Lenny Willis



Tim Wrightman

69 Kari Yli-Renko

Offensive Tackle 6-3½ 273 University of Cincinnati

Born: November 17, 1959, Sudbury, Ontario, Canada

USFL: Signed as a free agent.

Professional: Selected in the 8th round of the 1982 NFL draft by the Cincinnati Bengals...released in pre-season.

Collegiate: Played at Cincinnati four seasons (1978-81)...named an Academic All-American in 1981

Personal: Graduated Summa Cum Laude from the Cincinnati School of Business in June 1982...attended Lo-Ellen Park High School in Sudbury, graduating in January 1978...lives in Arlington Heights, Ill., with his wife, Colleen.

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BLITZ COACHING STAFF

Charlie Waller—Offensive Coordinator

Waller has spent more than 30 years on the high school, college and pro levels as a coach. Since his last job with George Allen in 1978 with the Los Angeles Rams, he has been involved in real estate and investments in the San Diego area "waiting for Allen to get back into football."

A Georgia native, Waller began college at Oglethorpe University, where he was a single wing tailback and team captain. He transferred to Georgia, becoming SEC middleweight boxing champion for three years.

He served in the U.S. Navy (1942-45) and was commissioned a Lt. (jg) for heroism. He graduated from Georgia in 1946.

Waller was head coach at various Georgia high schools from 1946-50, with his teams winning their final 25 games. He then became an offensive coordinator on the college level—Auburn (1951-54), Texas (1955-56) and Clemson (1957-65).

Waller joined the new AFL as offensive coordinator of the San Diego Chargers (1966-68) under Sid Gillman. He was head coach of the Chargers for two years (1969-70 for a 9-7-3 record) before returning to his coordinator's role, back under Gillman, in 1971.

He joined George Allen's Washington Redskins in 1972 as offensive coordinator and moved on to the Los Angeles Rams with Allen in 1978.

He's coached such quarterbacks as Hadl, Theismann, Kilmer, Haden, Ferragamo and now Greg Landry.

Waller was involved with George Allen's 1981 Olympia Gold Bowl College All-Star game in San Diego.

He and his wife, Maxine, have five daughters.

Born: November 26, 1921.



Kari Yli-Renko



Charlie Waller

John D. Payne—Offensive Line Coach

Payne is a 28-year veteran coach at all levels—high school, college and professional. He's had seven years at the high school level, five as a head coach; eight years in college; and 13 years in professional football, seven as a head coach for two Canadian teams.

A 1956 graduate of Oklahoma State, Payne lettered four years as a center and linebacker, twice named All-Missouri Valley (1953-54), honorable mention All-American (1953) and played in the 1954 Blue-Gray All-Star game.

His coaching career began at Tulsa Central High School as a football assistant and head swimming coach in 1956. His swimming teams won the 1957 and 1958 Oklahoma state titles.

For five years (1958-63), Payne was athletic director and head football coach at Tulsa McLain High School. He won the conference title and was named Oklahoma Coach of the Year in 1962.

His college coaching stops were at Oklahoma State, Oklahoma Central State College (where he earned a master's degree), BYU and the last two (1981-82) at TCU.

Payne's professional coaching career began in Canada as an assistant at Edmonton (1968-69), Winnipeg (1970) and Saskatchewan (1971-72).

He became head coach of the Saskatchewan Roughriders in 1973 and in four years posted a 44-26 record, reaching the 1976 Gray Cup final before losing to Ottawa 23-20 in the final 22 seconds.

After a year (1977) as an assistant with the Detroit Lions, he became head coach of the Hamilton Tiger Cats for three years (1978-80) and had a 24-21 record, reaching the Gray Cup finals in 1980.

His overall pro coaching record is 68-47 (59.1%).

Payne and his wife, Dorothy, have four children. He lives in suburban Chicago.

Born: May 15, 1933.

Ray Wietecha—Offensive Backfield

Wietecha had an 18-year career as an NFL assistant coach before joining the Blitz. His coaching career was preceded by 11-seasons as a center for the New York Giants.

A native of East Chicago, Ind., where he played three years for East Chicago Roosevelt High School and its 1945 state championship team. Wietecha moved on to Northwestern, where he lettered as a center for three seasons and played on Northwestern's 1949 Rose Bowl team. He also played in the 1950 Blue-Gray All-Star game.

After serving as a captain in the U.S. Marine Corps (1951-53), he began his 11 years with the Giants (1953-63), being named to five Pro Bowls and playing on five championship teams.

For seven years (1965-71), he was offensive line coach for Vince Lombardi's Green Bay Packers during the "Golden '60s." The Packers won the 1965 and 1966 NFL championships and Super Bowls I & II in 1967 and 1968.

He spent the next 10 years as an assistant coach with three other NFL teams—New York Giants (1972-77), Buffalo Bills (1978-79) and Baltimore Colts (1980-81).

He and his wife, Joan, have four children, and live in suburban Chicago.

Born: November 4, 1928.

Paul Lanham—Passing Coordinator

Lanham has spent 23 years coaching at both the college and pro levels, the last 11 in professional football. He attended Morris Harvey College for one year before transferring to Glenville State in West Virginia, where he lettered three years at linebacker.

He began his coaching career in 1960 at Delaware, where he earned a masters degree in educational administration. Lanham moved on to be freshman coach at Dayton (1961), offensive coordinator at Colorado State (1962-69) and coach of special teams and tight ends at Arkansas (1970-71).

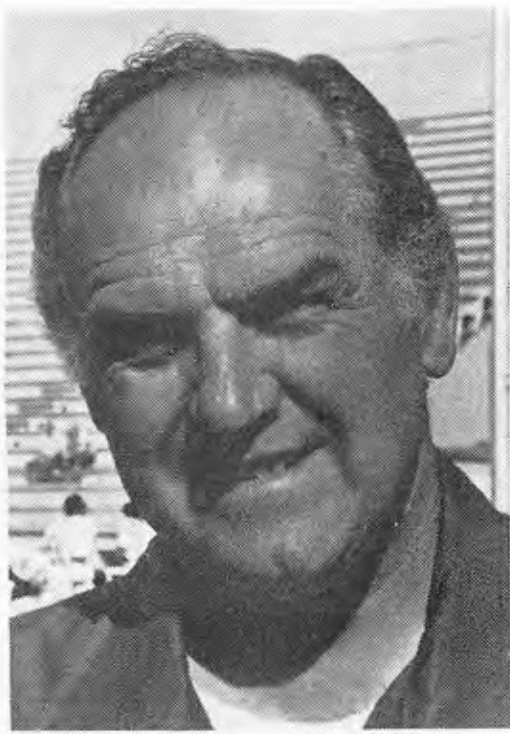
His first professional job was in 1972 as special teams and offensive backfield coach with the St. Louis Cardinals. He joined George Allen's Washington Redskins in 1973 and moved to the Los Angeles Rams in 1978, staying through the 1982 season.

He and his wife, Helen, have three children and live in Mission Viejo, Calif.

Born: July 31, 1930.



John D. Payne



Ray Wietecha



Paul Lanham

Joe Haering—Linebacker Coach

Haering joined the Blitz staff in August 1982 as a personnel scout and moved into his coaching role during the fall. He has coached on the college and pro levels for the 15 years.

A 1965 graduate of Bucknell University, he entered military service with the U.S. Army in 1966 as a sports officer at Ft. Eustis, Va., and became a company commander of truck convoys in Viet Nam as a First Lieutenant.

His first coaching job, following military service, was at Bucknell as linebacker coach in 1968. He was head freshman and offensive backfield coach at Kentucky for four seasons (1969-72).

Haering became offensive coordinator at Boston University (1973-74) and defensive coordinator at Kent State (1975-77) before joining the New York Jets of the NFL as special teams and linebacker coach in 1978-79.

He joined John Payne, head coach of the Hamilton Tiger Cats of the CFL as an offensive coach in 1980. Hamilton won the Eastern title that year and played in the Gray Cup.

A native of Pittsburgh, Haering was an All-Catholic League quarterback in high school. Recruited as a quarterback, he lettered three years as a linebacker at Bucknell, earning All-Middle Atlantic Conference honors twice. Bucknell also won the Lambert Cup two seasons during his collegiate career.

Born: February 1, 1944.

John Teerlinck—Defensive Line

Teerlinck joined the Blitz after three seasons as defensive line coach at Illinois. A native of the Chicago area, he is a Fenwick High School graduate, where he earned All-Catholic League honors as an offensive and defensive tackle in 1968 and 1969.

After attending Ellsworth (Iowa) Junior College, he enrolled at Western Illinois where he earned 3rd team All-American honors in 1973.

Teerlinck was selected in the 5th round of the 1974 NFL draft by the San Diego Chargers and became a starter during his rookie season. His professional career ended after four years due to several knee injuries.

In 1977 he became defensive coordinator at Iowa Lakes Junior College in Esterville, before moving on in 1978 for two seasons as defensive line coach at Eastern Illinois. There, he turned out four NFL linemen and Eastern became the 1978 NCAA Division II National Champion.

He and his wife, Sue, live in suburban Chicago with their three children.

Born: April 9, 1951.



Joe Haering



John Teerlinck

Dick Walker—Defensive Secondary

Walker has had 25 years of coaching at all levels of football. He played collegiately at John Carroll University in Cleveland, where he lettered three years as a center and linebacker. He was named All-Big Four Conference twice.

His coaching career began as an assistant at Cathedral Latin High in Cleveland (1957-59). From 1960-66, he was head coach at Watterson High School in Columbus, Ohio, compiling a 51-11-3 record, including the 1966 Ohio state title and being named Ohio's outstanding high school coach.

After two seasons as an assistant (1967-68) at Toledo, Walker became secondary coach at Ohio State under Woody Hayes. During an eight year period (1969-76), the Buckeyes won or shared seven Big Ten championships and Walker produced six All-American defensive backs—Mike Sensibaugh, Jack Tatum, Neal Colzie, Tim Fox, Steve Luke and Doug Plank.

Walker's professional career began in Pittsburgh as defensive backfield coach for the Steelers (1977-81), where he coached on two Super Bowl teams. In 1982, he was defensive backfield coach with the Montreal Concordes of the CFL.

Married, Eleanor, he has three children.

Born: January 21, 1935.



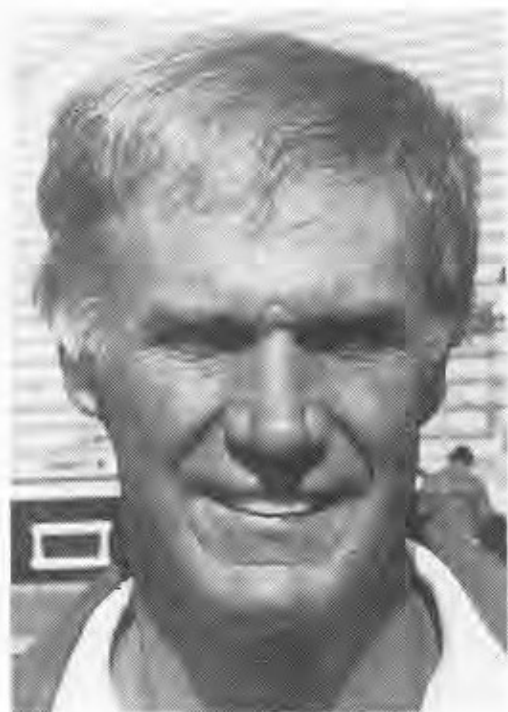
Warren Anderson—Strength & Conditioning

A native of Rockford, Ill., Anderson played at Rockford East High School. He attended Rock Valley Junior College (1975-76) and the University of Evansville (1976-79), where he received a BA degree in physical education and health. He also holds a masters in exercise physiology from Southern Illinois University.

He has had five years of coaching experience—two years (1978-79) at Evansville as strength and offensive line coach and three years (1980-82) at Southern Illinois as strength and conditioning coach and assistant offensive line coach.

He had a free agent tryout as a defensive lineman with the Denver Broncos.

Born: September 12, 1956.



Dick Walker



Warren Anderson

BLITZ STAFFERS

Front Office:



Tad Diethrich
*Assistant General
Manager*



Jim Banahan
Business Manager



June Foran
Accounting/Computer



**Mary Kate
Stoffregen**
*Managerial Assistant to
General Manager*

Ed Buckley—Director of Pro Scouting



A native of Ely, Minn., Buckley went to Harvard (1938-42) and earned nine letters in football, basketball and baseball. During his sophomore season, one of his roommates was John F. Kennedy.

Graduating in 1942, he entered the Marine Corps and rose to the rank of captain. In 3½ years, he participated in seven Pacific campaigns and received the Purple Heart.

In 1946, he began a 37-year career as a coach and scout. Following an assistant's position at Boston College, he began a 16-year period as a high school coach in Massachusetts and Chicago, compiling a record of 186-36 with 11 undefeated seasons. The last five years (1959-63) were spent at St. Rita High School in the Chicago Catholic League. His final

team in 1963 was acclaimed the best high school team in the nation.

Buckley moved into professional football in 1964 as an AFL scout. He coached and scouted for the next 12 years with five teams, the last in 1977 with George Allen's Washington Redskins.

Since 1978, he has lived in Anaheim, Calif., where he has worked as a game scout for the NFL's eastern teams and evaluated pro personnel.

Buckley and his wife, Marian, have seven children and 11 grandchildren.

Born: July 2, 1920

Michael P. (Mike) McCarthy—Director of College Scouting



McCarthy was the first member of the Blitz football operation hired by George Allen when he began directing the player personnel and identification process in mid-July 1982.

He has had extensive experience in coaching and scouting since graduating from Southwestern College in Winfield, Kan., in 1976, where he earned a BS degree.

He lettered four years as a linebacker in college, leading in tackles all four years with a total of 598. He led the NAIA in tackles in 1974 with 180. He was twice named All-Kansas Linebacker.

While earning his masters degree in educational administration at Oklahoma, McCarthy was a part-time assistant under Barry Switzer for three seasons and was assistant

strength and condition coach.

He joined the New England Patriots as a personnel scout in July 1978. In 1981, he joined Brown University as an assistant line coach and weight training assistant.

He also has taught physical education in Kansas and Massachusetts high schools.

A native of Rome, N.Y., he and his wife, Robin, had their first child, Tara, born on Feb. 22, 1983. He lives in Attleboro, Mass.

Born: March 21, 1953

John Butler—Team Scout



A native of Urbana, Ill., Butler entered the Marine Corps in 1964 and spent four years in the service, including 14 months in Vietnam as a forward observer for an artillery unit as a sergeant.

After separation, Butler attended Valley Community College in San Bernardino where he became a junior college All-America at defensive tackle. He transferred to Illinois, but injured a knee and graduated in 1972 with a degree in recreation and parks administration.

Butler began coaching in 1972 as an assistant at Urbana High School. In 1978 he moved on to Evansville as defensive line coach. For 1½ years he served as an NFL scout prior to joining the Chicago Blitz organization in August 1982.

He and his wife, Alice, reside in Savoy, Ill., where she is a 2nd grade teacher in Tolono, Ill.

Born: August 13, 1946

A. J. Smith—Eastern Scout



Smith has served as a college and pro personnel scout for various NFL teams since 1976 before joining the Blitz in 1982. He is a physical education teacher in Providence, Rhode Island.

He is a graduate of Kentucky Wesleyan, where he played wide receiver for four years in the club football program. Smith has also coached at the high school, college and semi-pro levels.

He and his wife, Susan, have one daughter and live in Narragansett, R.I.

Born: February 28, 1949



Kathy Henneghan
*Managerial Assistant,
Scouting Department*

Football Support Staff:

James M. Hammond—Head Trainer



Hammond spent 14 seasons as assistant trainer with the San Diego Chargers of the NFL (1969-82), working under six different head coaches including Charlie Waller, the Blitz offensive coordinator.

He has worked and studied as a trainer since his prep days at Sweetwater Union High School in National City, Calif.

Hammond earned a BS in physical education from Southwestern College in Chula Vista, Calif., and has taken advanced courses in psychology, education and health, science and safety towards a special Major Master Plan at San Diego State and Hawaii.

He has been trainer for the 1968 Hula Bowl, 1980 NFL Pro Bowl and for George Allen's 1981 Olympia Gold Bowl game in San Diego.

Born: Jan. 7, 1944

Tommy McVean—Equipment Manager



McVean has been a veteran NFL equipment manager, serving the Washington Redskins for 12 seasons, including George Allen's seven in Washington.

He has been named NFL Equipment Manager of the Year three times and during the fall of 1982 was selected by the NFL Players' Assn. to be equipment manager for its series of all-star games.

He lives in Vienna, Va.

Born: May 8, 1945



Van Barbieri

*Administrative Assistant
to Head Coach*



Bob Ries

Director of Security



Colleen Burke

*Executive Secretary to
Head Coach*

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*Administrative Assistant,
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Public Relations Assistant



Tami Tanzillo
Public Relations Assistant



Stephanie Mette
Receptionist

1983 United States Football League Draft

Chicago Blitz Selections in Common Draft

Round	No.	Player
1	2	*Tim Spencer, RB, Ohio State (from Arizona in trade)
	11	*Trumaine Johnson, WR, Grambling (from Boston in trade)
2	19	Johnny Hector, RB, Texas A&M
3	30	*Frank Minnifield, DB, Louisville
4	43	Matt Vander Boom, DB, Wisconsin
5		To Washington in trade
6		To Los Angeles in trade
7		To Los Angeles in trade
8		To Los Angeles in trade
9		To Boston in trade
10		To Boston in trade
11	126	Pat Dunsmore, TE, Drake
12		To Boston in trade
13	150	Ron Versnik, C, Wisconsin
14	163	Jim Kelly, QB, Miami, Fla.
15	174	Matt Hernandez, DT, Purdue
16	187	Reggie Roby, P, Iowa
17	198	Chuck Ehin, DE, BYU
18	211	Andy Gibler, TE, Missouri
19	222	Shamus McDonough, DT, Iowa State
20	235	Babe Laufenburg, QB, Indiana
21	246	Karl Mecklenburg, DE, Minnesota
22	259	Mike Rush, RB, Miami (Fla)
23	270	Chuck Nelson, K, Washington
24	283	*Dennis Talbot, LB, Rhode Island

*—Signed

Chicago Blitz Territorial Draft

1. Larry Alleyne, LB, Northern Illinois	15. Tony Hunter, TE, Notre Dame
2. Charles Armstead, DB, Illinois	* 16. J. D. Johnson, DE, Western Illinois
3. Rich Barrent, G, Northern Illinois	17. Adam Lingner, C, Illinois
4. Mike Bass, K, Illinois	18. Mike Martin, WR, Illinois
* 5. Dennis Bishop, DB, Illinois	19. Larry Moriarty, RB, Notre Dame
6. Darryl Byrd, LB, Illinois	20. Bob Pratt, G, Northwestern
7. Phil Carter, RB, Notre Dame	21. John Stadnik, T, Western Illinois
8. Bob Clasby, DE, Notre Dame	22. Jerome Stelly, WR, Western Illinois
9. Joe Curtis, RB, Illinois	23. Tom Thayer, G, Notre Dame
10. Dave Duerson, DB, Notre Dame	24. Oliver Williams, WR, Illinois
#11. Tony Eason, QB, Illinois	25. Mark Zavagnin, LB, Notre Dame
12. Mark Fischer, C, Notre Dame	26. Traded to Boston
13. Dan Gregus, DE, Illinois	
14. Chris Hinton, T, Northwestern	

*—Signed

#—Traded rights to Arizona to gain second position in 1st round of common draft



Birth of the Blitz

The building of a new professional football franchise in Chicago began on June 21, 1982, when the ownership of the Chicago Blitz Football Club was announced.

Two successful businessmen joined forces with a legend in professional football—George Allen—to create the franchise.

Dr. Ted Diethrich assumed his role as majority stockholder and president of the organization and Bill Harris became executive vice president and treasurer. Allen took over as chairman of the board and head coach of this innovative venture.

On July 6, 1982, Allen went public to announce a "Name the Team" contest, saying, "I think Chicago is a physical city. The name should be aggressive...short and punchy, probably no more than six or seven letters."

Fans were given just 10 days to submit their entries. The time period was more than enough, as more than 20,000 suggestions poured in from some 15,000 fans from Illinois and 19 other states.

The team's ownership found, on July 22, that short 'n punchy name in "The Blitz," as it was suggested by Naperville's Mike Wehrli.

The winner, who won four season tickets, came from a list of 3,351 suggested names that ranged from the Aces to the Zephyrs, with Butchers, Cohos, Fury Grizzlies, Hit Men, Rhinos and Skyscrapers in between.

Wehrli proved 20 detailed reasons why "The Blitz" was the right name, describing its versatility. He indicated that, "it (Blitz) had never been used with disrespect and this is rare at a time when words have been so exploited that they're probably cheaper than they've ever been."

The Phase I portion of the Blitz creation was assembling a front office staff and acquiring personnel for a scouting department. With that, Phase II—the search for, evaluation of and signing of players—began in earnest.

Beginning at Soldier Field on Aug. 21, 1982, the Blitz held nine formal free agent tryouts. Soldier Field found 518 potential players registering and the tryout taking 7½ hours to complete.

Two more free agent tryouts were held in Chicago and the Blitz talent search went nation-wide...going to Phoenix, Dallas, Indianapolis, Milwaukee, Columbus, Ohio, and Houston.

Numerous smaller free agent groups gathered for scouting department evaluations. Through the August through January period, more than 3,200 players were registered and evaluated and 340 were signed to Blitz contracts.

Then, mini-camps were set up geographically to further evaluate the contract players...held on four consecutive weekends in Des Plaines, Ill., Washington, D.C., Houston and Los Angeles.

By mid-October, the Blitz had moved into its headquarters and training facility—Maine North High School in suburban Des Plaines. The closed-down school was immediately named "Blitz Park" by George Allen.

The coaching staff had been nearly completed and the combined coaching and scouting staffs obtained film and additional reports on each of the 340 signed players to make final judgements on abilities, position-by-position.

Blitz Park was completely utilized in January for a series of mini-camps to evaluate the final group of players the coaches determined to be the best of the group. Lockerrooms, gymnasiums, Olympic-sized swimming pool, weight room facilities and the Maine North Stadium (during an unseasonable warm spell).

The pre-season training camp roster was determined—85 players. But, George Allen still searched for players...veteran players, who could fill needs and proceeded to find and sign them:

Stan White and Joe Ehrmann, both of whom had played for the Detroit Lions during the NFL season; trades that produced defensive end John Lee, punter/placekicker Frank Corral and defensive tackle Mark Buben.

Pre-season training was conducted at Glendale Community College in suburban Phoenix, Ariz. The team headquartered at The Hotel Westcourt.

"Every thought we have, every action is geared to help us win," said George Allen. "Right now there's a new kid on the block...it's our own program, headed by owners who are high class people, with character and approach to the game.

"The Chicago Blitz will be a positive addition to the community," Allen promises. "Soldier Field will get the best to do the best."



Chicago Flag on Blitz helmet

A unique feature of the Chicago Blitz helmet is the inclusion of the Chicago flag at the left rear of the silver portion on the head gear. Here, the Blitz owners—(from left) Dr. Ted Diethrich, George Allen and Bill Harris—examine the placement, a design requirement requested by Allen.

The flag is divided by two blue stripes indicating the three sections of the City of Chicago—the North, West and South sides.

The top blue stripe represents the North Branch of the Chicago River and the bottom stripe the South Branch and the Great Canal.

Between the stripes are four red stars, each representing a major event in the history of the city:

- The founding of Fort Dearborn in 1832, the city's first settlement, the foundation of the city.
- The Great Fire of October 1871.
- The World Columbian Exposition in 1892.
- The first official World's Fair, celebrating Chicago's 100th anniversary in 1932, "A Century of Progress."



The Blitz worked hard under the palms on Hanhila Field at Glendale Community College in Suburban Phoenix, Arizona.



George Allen

GEORGE ALLEN'S PRO RECORD

1966—Rams	8-6-0
1967—Rams	11-1-2•
1968—Rams	10-3-1
1969—Rams	11-3-0•
1970—Rams	9-4-1
5 Years—Rams	49-17-4
1971—Redskins	9-4-1#
1972—Redskins	11-3-0■
1973—Redskins	10-4-0★#
1974—Redskins	10-4-0★#
1975—Redskins	8-6-0
1976—Redskins	10-4-0#
1977—Redskins	9-5-0
7 Years—Redskins	67-30-1
12 YEARS	116-47-50
	(70.5%)

- —Division Championship (3)
- # —Wild Card Team (4)
- ★ —Division Co-Championship (2)
- —Super Bowl VII Team

Voice of the Chicago Blitz at Soldier Field

Phil Georgeff, 52, veteran Chicago-area track announcer since 1959, will be public address announcer for the Chicago Blitz.

Georgeff has "called" some 75,000 races—thoroughbred, harness, quarter-horse—in his 23-year career. His trademark call—"Spinning out of the turn"—has been used on such thoroughbred greats as Kelso, Secretariat, Spectacular Bid, Alydar, Dr. Fager, Round Table, Swoon's Son, Buckpasser, Tom Rolfe, Foolish Pleasure, Graustark, Damascus, Bold Bidder and John Henry.

He received a BS in Journalism from Northwestern Medill School of Journalism in 1954 and was play-by-play announcer for Northwestern football over an Evanston station.

Georgeff is a Chicago native, raised on the West Side near Madison and Cicero, graduating from Austin High.

"I'm a fan's announcer," he says. "I call every race like it were the Kentucky Derby...I call every race like I bet on the winner. The announcer's worth and ultimate quality and ability is gauged by his accuracy and enthusiasm...excitement is not to be manufactured, fabricated or manipulated.

Georgeff is now a resident of Villa Park.



UCLA tight end Tim Wrightman became the first collegiate player to sign in the USFL and the Chicago Blitz as he was presented to the Chicago media on Aug. 6, 1982. Here, he catches the final TD pass of his college career at the Astrodome in Houston against Michigan in the 1981 Bluebonnet Bowl. (Colin Crawford photo)



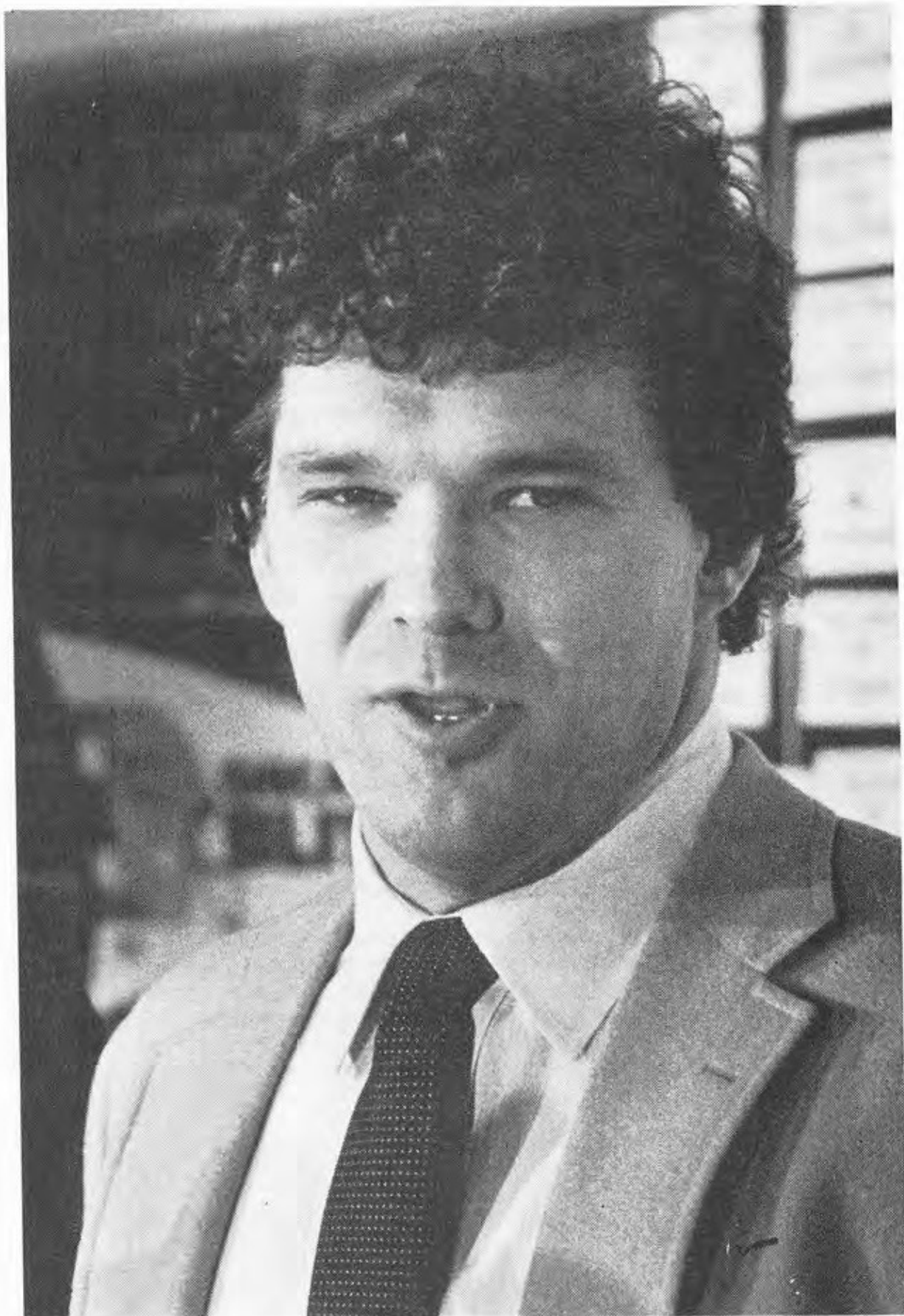
George Allen needed only three days to sign his No. 1 draft selection, Ohio State halfback Tim Spencer. It was Jan. 7 in the Blitz Park Press and Draft Headquarters.



A week after the Tim Spencer announcement, Grambling University wide receiver, Trumaine Johnson, was introduced to the Chicago media as the second first round draft selection to sign with the Blitz.



This was the scene in Chicago on Aug. 12, 1982, when George Allen announced the signing of his first former NFL player, Greg Landry, a 14-year veteran quarterback. At the announcement was Landry's wife, Jeannine, and his son, Greg, Jr., then six months. (Photo courtesy Associated Press)



Stan White, veteran NFL linebacker, left that league at the end of the 1982 season to join the Chicago Blitz and the United States Football League, the first to make the switch.

CHET SIMMONS

USFL Commissioner



The career experience and qualifications that Chet Simmons brings to his new position as Commissioner of the United States Football League could be referred to as "the state of the art."

Whereas other leaders of leagues in the various professional sports come from backgrounds in public relations, the law, or actual participation in the sport they administer, Simmons, in an era dominated by television, brings to the USFL a career in sports television that spans four decades.

His background also includes several ventures constructed from the ground up, experience that is immediately applicable to the task of launching the USFL's inaugural campaign.

Prior to accepting the challenge of guiding the USFL, Simmons was president and chief executive officer of the Entertainment and Sports Programming Network, Inc. (ESPN), where his ability to build, organize and manage an all-new entity was a prime factor in ESPN's current recognition as the most successful operation of its kind.

From 1977 to 1979, Simmons was president of NBC Sports, a network he had served as a major sports executive since 1964. During that period, his capacity for organizing new enterprises resulted in the network's strong coverage of baseball, basketball and many other sports, as well as professional football.

He was also a major contributor to the development of the successful *Sports World* show and was highly instrumental in securing the 1980 Summer Olympic Games for the network.

Simmons began his television career in 1957 when he joined Sports Programs, Inc., which soon developed into the ABC-TV unit responsible for that network's sports programming.

The USFL thus becomes the second professional football league with which Simmons has been directly involved. While with ABC-TV, he was deeply responsible for the development of the television package when the American Football League made its debut.

He continued to work with the AFL when he moved to NBC and that association is recognized as having been extremely important to the AFL's survival through its early years and into its eventual merger with the National Football League.

Simmons was born in New York City and raised both in Ossining, N.Y. and Pawtucket, R.I. An alumnus of the University of Alabama, he did his graduate work in radio and television at Boston University. He and his wife, Harriet, have four children and live in Cos Cob, Conn.

USFL CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY

1982

- May 11**—Formation of the United States Football League is announced at a New York City press conference. Franchise areas include Arizona, Birmingham, Boston, Chicago, Denver, Detroit (Michigan), Los Angeles, New Jersey, Oakland, Philadelphia, Tampa Bay and Washington.
- May 26**—The USFL and ABC Sports enter into a two-year network television agreement. ABC televises a Sunday afternoon game-of-the-week, one prime time evening game, plus coverage of the USFL divisional playoffs and championship game. Total package calls for 21 telecasts of USFL action.
- June 2**—Chuck Fairbanks, former Oklahoma, New England Patriots and Colorado head coach, named as president and head coach of the New Jersey Generals. Fairbanks becomes first head coach named in USFL. Jim Valek named vice-president and general manager. Team is owned by J. Walter Duncan.
- June 14**—Chester R. Simmons named Commissioner of USFL at a press conference in Los Angeles. Simmons served as president and chief executive officer of ESPN (Entertainment and Sports Programming Network) and prior to that was president of NBC Sports.
- June 16**—Robert "Red" Miller named head coach of the Denver franchise, which announces it will be known as the Gold. Miller was head coach of Denver Broncos from 1977-80. Denver construction and builder Ron Blanding is primary owner.
- June 17**—USFL and ESPN enter into a two-year national cable television agreement. ESPN televises two prime-time games each week of the USFL season.
- June 21**—George Allen, former head coach of Los Angeles Rams and Washington Redskins, named head coach of the Chicago franchise. Dr. Ted Diethrich, noted cardiovascular surgeon, and real estate developer William Harris will co-own franchise.
- June 30**—John Ralston named head coach and general manager of the Oakland Invaders. Ralston served as head coach at Stanford and with the Denver Broncos and came to USFL from administrative position with San Francisco 49ers. Ted Taube is majority owner and general partner.
- July 3**—Canadian movie producer John Bassett, Miami attorney Stephen Arky and noted actor, director and former Florida State football player Burt Reynolds become co-owners of Tampa Bay Bandits franchise.
- July 8**—Carl Peterson, director of player personnel for the Philadelphia Eagles, is named president and general manager of the Philadelphia franchise by managing general partner Myles Tanenbaum.
- July 12**—At Denver owners meeting, USFL forms committee to study problem of drug abuse as it relates to professional football. USFL also adopts use of two-point conversion (pass or run) after a touchdown is scored.
- July 20**—Dick Coury, assistant coach of the Philadelphia Eagles, named head coach and general manager of the Boston Breakers, by general partners George Matthews and Randy Vataha.
- July 21**—James Gould, founding USFL member, named president of the Washington Federals. Dick Myers, assistant general manager of the Washington Redskins, named Federals general manager.
- July 22**—New Jersey Generals sign 20-year lease with the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority to play their home games at Giants Stadium in the Meadowlands. Generals colors announced as red, white and blue.
- Chicago franchise announces it will be known as the Blitz following public response on naming the team.

- July 28**—Jerry Sklar named president of Birmingham Stallions.
- July 29**—Commissioner Simmons announces plans for territorial drafting system for college athletes who will be seniors in the 1982-83 school year. USFL also announces reserve negotiation list for each team. Competition Committee unveils standard player contract and plans for leaguewide scouting system. Use of kicking tee for field goals and conversions approved.
- August 1**—Fred "Curly" Morrison appointed chief operating officer of Los Angeles Express.
- August 3**—Philadelphia franchise reveals it will be known as the Stars.
- August 5**—UCLA tight end Tim Wrightman becomes first player to sign with USFL team, the Chicago Blitz. Bruce Allen named Blitz general manager.
- August 6**—USFL announces plans for franchise to be based in Phoenix, Ariz. Franchise takes surname Arizona.
- August 11**—Oakland Invaders announce agreement to play home games in Oakland Coliseum, former home of NFL Raiders.
- August 12**—Greg Landry, quarterback with NFL Detroit Lions and Baltimore Colts, signs with Chicago Blitz. Blitz obtained Landry's contractual rights in trade with Boston, marking first trade in USFL history.
- Commissioner Simmons clarifies USFL position on territorial draft for college athletes and announces that USFL draft will take place first week in January, following completion of all college bowl games.
- August 17**—Boston announces the signing of Mike Livingston, former Kansas City Chiefs quarterback.
- August 24**—Ray Jauch, coach of CFL Winnipeg Blue Bombers, named Washington Federals head coach. Jauch agrees to join Federals at completion of Winnipeg season.
- August 26**—Jim Spavital, general manager of CFL Saskatchewan Rough Riders, named general manager of Detroit Panthers by owners Alfred Taubman, Max Fisher and Peter Spivak.
- Boston franchise announces Breakers nickname.
- August 31**—At Washington, D.C. owners meeting, Commissioner Simmons announces USFL divisional alignment and playoff format. Atlantic Division includes New Jersey, Boston, Philadelphia and Washington. Central Division comprises Birmingham, Chicago, Detroit and Tampa Bay. Pacific Division includes Los Angeles, Denver, Oakland and Arizona. Three division winners plus one wild-card team qualify for playoffs.
- USFL draft date set for January 4, 1983. Each team will have a 40-man active roster and 10-man developmental squad. Regular season schedule set for 18 games, with each team to play home-and-home series with each of its divisional opponents.
- September 2**—Hugh Campbell, head coach of CFL Edmonton Eskimos, named Los Angeles Express head coach. Campbell agrees to join Express following completion of Edmonton season. Eskimos go on to win fifth consecutive Grey Cup under Campbell, the choice of Express owners Alan Harmon and Bill Daniels.
- Rollie Dotsch, Pittsburgh Steelers assistant coach, named Birmingham Stallions head coach by owner Marvin Warner.
- September 7**—Los Angeles Express announces signing of lease agreement with the Los Angeles Coliseum for its home games. Washington Federals announce signing of lease agreement with Robert F. Kennedy Stadium for its home games.
- September 8**—Commissioner Simmons announces league office appointments of Steven Ehrhart, counsel to the Commissioner and director of administration;

Dominic Camera, director of marketing; George McFadden, director of communications.

September 9—Phoenix franchise names itself Arizona Wranglers following contest conducted by two Phoenix newspapers.

September 16—Carl Peterson, Philadelphia Stars president and general manager, announces adoption of USFL scholarship incentive program, designed to encourage athletes to return to school and earn their degrees. Policy, adopted by all franchises, is a first in pro football history.

September 20—USFL administrative offices officially open at 52 Vanderbilt Avenue in New York City.

September 21—Commissioner Simmons announces appointment of Peter Hadzazy, former NFL administrative coordinator, as director of football operations.

October 4—Commissioner Simmons announces appointment of Cal Lefore as director of officials. Birmingham Stallions announce signing of lease agreement with Legion Field for its home games.

October 6—Commissioner Simmons announces appointment of Carl Marasco as director of player personnel.

October 19—Oakland Invaders announce signing of first player, former San Francisco 49ers DE Cedrick Hardman. Hardman will also serve as assistant coach.

October 26—Chicago Blitz receives approval from Chicago Park District to play its home games in Soldier Field.

November 15—Philadelphia Stars receive approval of Philadelphia City Council to play its home games in Veterans Stadium.

November 18—Detroit franchise announces name change to Michigan Panthers. Jim Stanley, former head coach at Oklahoma State and ex-assistant at Atlanta, named head coach. Michigan reaches agreement to play its home games in Silverdome, located in suburban Pontiac, Mich.

November 22—Steve Spurrier, former pro quarterback, named head coach of the Tampa Bay Bandits. Spurrier, who ended his playing career in Tampa Bay, served most recently as offensive coordinator at Duke.

December 7—Oakland Invaders announce signing of former all-pro tight end Raymond Chester.

December 8—USFL announces first league schedule. It features 108 regular season games, beginning March 6 and concluding July 3. Each club plays home-and-home with teams in its division, home-and-home with two teams from each of the other divisions and one game with each of the clubs not played in a home-and-home series. Sixty-four games scheduled for Sundays, with 20 on Saturdays and Mondays and four on Friday nights.

December 9—USFL and ABC Radio Networks jointly announce that ABC will do 39 national broadcasts of USFL games, including two playoff games and the league's championship game. ABC agrees to cover two games per week during regular season.

December 9—Arizona Wranglers appoint Harry Hulmes, former New Orleans Saints director of operations, as the team's new chief operating officer.

December 13—USFL commences league meeting in Tampa, Fla. It is final procedural meeting prior to beginning of season and contains sessions on player personnel, marketing, competition, public relations, etc. League expansion committee also interviews groups representing cities for proposed USFL expansion to 16 teams in 1984.

December 17—Competition committee announces change in pass interference rule for USFL games. Incidental pass interference results in 15-yard penalty and auto-

matic first down for offensive team instead of ball being spotted at point of foul. For flagrant or intentional interference, ball is marked at spot of foul.

Selection order for January 4-5 player allocation is determined by lot during Tampa meetings. Los Angeles drafts first, followed in order by Arizona, New Jersey, Washington, Birmingham, Chicago, Oakland, Philadelphia, Denver, Michigan, Boston, Tampa Bay. Order is then reversed for second round and so on through 24 rounds.

1983

January 4—USFL holds its first collegiate draft in New York. The 12 teams select a total of 312 players in the territorial allocation, then an additional 288 in round-by-round choices. Pittsburgh quarterback Dan Marino is the first player selected, by the Los Angeles Express. Last player taken is tackle Don Elliott of New Mexico, also by the Express. Total time of the draft is 15 hours and 41 minutes.

Chicago makes initial trade of the draft by exchanging draft positions with Arizona in order to select RB Tim Spencer of Ohio State. Chicago also sends three draft choices to Boston for the Breakers first round choice and selects WR Trumaine Johnson of Grambling.

University of Washington provides the most players to USFL draft, 13, over 24 rounds. UCLA is next with 12, followed by Louisiana State, nine, then Pittsburgh and Ohio State, eight apiece.

In addition to Marino, Spencer and Johnson, other first round draft choices include: Birmingham (from New Jersey): QB Reggie Collier, Southern Mississippi; Washington: RB Craig James, Southern Methodist; New Jersey (from Birmingham): RB Gary Anderson, Arkansas; Arizona (from Chicago): RB Eric Dickerson, Southern Methodist; Oakland: LB Billy Ray Smith, Arkansas; Philadelphia: DT Irv Eatman, UCLA; Denver: DB Demetrius Johnson, Missouri; Michigan: DB Dave Greenwood, Wisconsin; and Tampa Bay: T Jimbo Covert, Pittsburgh. First round is completed in 1 hour, 20 minutes.

Oakland Invaders announce the signing of RB Delvin Williams, formerly of Miami and San Francisco.

January 5—Philadelphia Stars announce signing of RB Lydell Mitchell, former Penn State star who played professionally at Baltimore and San Diego.

January 7—Chicago Blitz announces signing of RB Tim Spencer, team's top draft choice and second player taken overall. Agreement is for four years. Spencer becomes first drafted player to sign with USFL.

January 12—Washington Federals announce signing of Southern Methodist RB Craig James to four-year contract. Federals No. 1 pick and fourth player taken, James finished SMU career as third-leading rusher in Southwest Conference history.

January 11—Arizona Wranglers name Doug Shively as head coach. Shively served past six seasons as linebacker coach for Atlanta Falcons.

January 12—Philadelphia Stars announce hiring of Jim Mora as head coach. Mora served on New England Patriots staff as defensive coordinator in 1982 following four previous seasons as assistant with Seattle Seahawks.

January 13—QB Reggie Collier of Southern Mississippi, Birmingham's No. 1 draft choice, signs multiyear contract with Stallions.

January 14—Grambling WR Trumaine Johnson, second of Chicago's two No. 1 selections, signs with Blitz. Johnson was 11th player selected in first round.

Michigan Panthers announce signing of their No. 1 draft choice, Wisconsin DB David Greenwood. Greenwood was 10th player selected.

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1983 CHICAGO BLITZ USFL SCHEDULE

(Times listed are Chicago times)

Sunday, March 6	at Washington	2:00 p.m. CST
Saturday, March 12	at Arizona	8:00 p.m. CST
Sunday, March 20	DENVER	12:30 p.m. CST
Sunday, March 27	LOS ANGELES	12:30 p.m. CST
Saturday, April 2	at Tampa Bay	7:00 p.m. CST
Sunday, April 10	BIRMINGHAM	12:30 p.m. CST
Sunday, April 17	at Michigan	12:30 p.m. CST
Monday, April 25	NEW JERSEY	8:00 p.m. CST
Sunday, May 1	at Los Angeles	3:00 p.m. CDT
Sunday, May 8	WASHINGTON	1:30 p.m. CDT
Sunday, May 15	at Philadelphia	12:30 p.m. CDT
Sunday, May 22	at New Jersey	12:30 p.m. CDT
Monday, May 30	ARIZONA	8:00 p.m. CDT
Monday, June 6	at Boston	8:00 p.m. CDT
Sunday, June 12	TAMPA BAY	12:30 p.m. CDT
Friday, June 17	at Birmingham	7:00 p.m. CDT
Sunday, June 26	MICHIGAN	12:30 p.m. CDT
Sunday, July 3	OAKLAND	12:30 p.m. CDT
Saturday, July 9	USFL Divisional Playoff (site to be determined)	
Sunday, July 10	USFL Divisional Playoff (site to be determined)	
Sunday, July 17	USFL CHAMPIONSHIP GAME (site to be determined)	

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